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Purpose Statement

The Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES) was created by the Department Reorganization Act of 1994 which merged the former Cooperative State Research Service and the former Extension Service into a single agency. The mission of CSREES is to advance knowledge for agriculture, the environment, human health and well-being, and communities.

Research and Education Activities

Research and Education programs administered by CSREES are the U.S. Department of Agriculture's principal entree to the university system of the United States for the purpose of conducting agricultural research and education programs as authorized by the Hatch Act of 1887, as amended (7 U.S.C. 361a-361i); the Cooperative Forestry Research Act of 1962, as amended (16 U.S.C. 582a-7); Public Law 89-106, Section (2), as amended (7 U.S.C. 450i); the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, as amended (7 U.S.C. 3101 et seq.); the Equity in Educational Land-Grant Status Act of 1994, (7 U.S.C. 301); the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998; and the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002. Through these authorities, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) participates with State and other cooperators to encourage and assist the State institutions in the conduct of agricultural research and education through the State Agricultural Experiment Stations (SAES) of the 50 States and the territories; by approved Schools of Forestry; by the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions and Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University; by 1994 Land-Grant Institutions; by Colleges of Veterinary Medicine; and by other eligible institutions. The appropriated funds provide Federal support for research and education programs at these institutions.

The State institutions conduct research on the problems continuously encountered in the development of a permanent and sustainable agriculture and forestry system, and in the improvement of the economic and social welfare of rural and urban families. Because of differences in climate, soil, market outlets, and other local conditions, each State has distinct problems in the production and marketing of crops and livestock. Farmers, foresters, and rural people in the individual States naturally look to their SAES, universities, and colleges for solutions to the State and local problems and request services to help meet changing conditions.

The Department's higher education mission is carried out in strong alliance with States, universities, and the private sector. Recognizing the significance of this alliance, the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 designated USDA as the lead Federal agency for higher education in the food and agricultural sciences. Through the CSREES Office of Higher Education Programs, USDA has implemented that charge with a broad array of initiatives to link teaching, research, and extension; to improve the training of food and agricultural scientists and professionals; and to strengthen the quality of education programs throughout the nation.

Appropriations for research and education activities are authorized under the following Acts:

1. Payments to agricultural experiment stations under the Hatch Act Agricultural Experiment Stations Act of August 11, 1955, Hatch Act of 1887 as amended - 7 U.S.C. 361a-361i, Public Law 92-318; Public Law 93-471; Public Law 95-113, as amended; Public Law 95-134; Public Law 96-205; Public Law 96-374; Public Law 96-597; Public Law 97-98; Public Law 98-213; Public Law 98-454; Public Law 99-198; Public Law 99-396; Public Law 101-624; Public Law 104-127; Public Law 105-185; and Public Law 107-171.

Funds under the Hatch Act are allocated to the SAES of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands for research to promote sound and prosperous agriculture and rural life.

In accordance with the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, Public Law 105-185, eligible State institutions are required to submit a five-year Plan of Work to CSREES for approval before Hatch Act funds are distributed. The Hatch Act provides that the distribution of Federal payments to States for fiscal year 1955 shall become a fixed base, and that any sums appropriated in excess of the 1955 level shall be distributed in the following manner:

- 20 percent shall be allotted equally to each State;
- not less than 52 percent shall be allotted to the States as follows: one-half in an amount proportionate to the relative rural population of each State to the total rural population of all States, and one-half in an amount proportionate to the relative farm population of each State to the total farm population of all States;
- not less than 25 percent shall be used for multi-State, multi-disciplinary, multi-institutional research activities to solve problems concerning more than one State; and
- 3 percent shall be available to the Secretary of Agriculture for the administration of this Act.

Federal funds provided under the Hatch Act to State institutions must be matched with non-Federal funding on a dollar-for-dollar basis. Matching requirements for the insular areas of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, Micronesia, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands are subject to the matching requirements of an amount equal to not less than 50 percent of the formula funds distributed to each insular area as stated in Section 7213 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002. These provisions also state that the Secretary may waive the matching funds requirement of an insular area for any fiscal year if the Secretary determines that the government of the insular area will be unlikely to meet the matching requirement for the fiscal year.

Section 7202 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 allows unexpended funds to be carried over for use during the following fiscal year.

In accordance with provisions of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, at least 25 percent of available Hatch Act funds must be used to support multi-State research; States also must expend 25 percent, or two times the level spent in fiscal year 1997 (whichever is less), on activities that integrate cooperative research and extension.

The three percent of funds appropriated under the Hatch Act for administration includes the disbursement of funds and a continuous review and evaluation of the research programs of the SAES supported wholly or in part from Hatch funds. CSREES encourages and assists in the establishment of cooperation within and between the States, and also actively participates in the planning and coordination of research programs between the States and the Department at the regional and national levels.

2. <u>Cooperative Forestry Research</u> - (McIntire-Stennis) - The Cooperative Forestry Research Act of October 10, 1962, 16 U.S.C. 582a-7; Public Law 96-374; Public Law 97-98; Public Law 99-198; Public Law 101-624; and Public Law 104-127.

The Act authorizes funding of research in State institutions certified by a State representative designated by the governor of each State. The Act provides that appropriated funds be apportioned among States as determined by the Secretary after consultation with the legislatively mandated Forestry Research Advisory Council. The Council consists of not fewer than sixteen members representing Federal and State agencies concerned with developing and utilizing the Nation's forest resources, the forest industries, the forestry schools of the State-certified eligible institutions, SAES, and volunteer public groups concerned with forests and related natural resources. Determination of apportionments follows consideration of pertinent factors including areas of non-Federal commercial forest land, volume of timber cut from growing stock, and the non-Federal dollars expended on forestry research in the State. The Act also provides that payments must be matched by funds made available and budgeted from non-Federal sources by the certified institutions for expenditure on forestry research.

- 3. Payments to 1890 Colleges and Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University The National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, Section 1445, Public Law 95-113; Public Law 95-547; Public Law 97-98; Public Law 99-198; Public Law 101-624; Public Law 104-127; Public Law 105-185; and Public Law 107-171. Public Law 95-113, as amended, provides for support of continuing agricultural research at colleges eligible to receive funds under the Act of August 30, 1890, including Tuskegee University. The general provisions section 753 of Public Law 107-76 makes West Virginia State University eligible to receive funds under this program. In accordance with the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, Public Law 105-185, eligible State institutions are required to submit a Plan of Work to CSREES for approval before these formula funds are distributed. The agricultural research programs at the 1890 Land-Grant Colleges and Universities are designed to generate new knowledge which will assist rural underprivileged people and small farmers to obtain a higher standard of living. Therefore, there is a high concentration of research effort in the areas of small farms, sustainable agriculture, rural economic development, human nutrition, rural health, and youth and elderly. Beginning with fiscal year 1979, there shall be appropriated funds for each fiscal year, an amount not less than 15 percent of the total for such year under Section 3 of the Act of March 2, 1887. Distribution of payments made available under section 2 of the Act of August 4, 1965, for fiscal year 1978 are a fixed base and sums in excess of the 1978 level shall be distributed as follows:
 - 3 percent shall be available to the Secretary of Agriculture for administrative costs;
 - Payments to States in fiscal year 1978 are a fixed base. Of funds in excess of this amount:
 - -20 percent shall be allotted equally to each State;
 - -40 percent shall be allotted in an amount proportionate to the rural population of the State in which the eligible institution is located to the total rural population of all States in which eligible institutions are located; and
 - -40 percent shall be allotted in an amount proportionate to the farm population of the State in which the eligible institution is located to the total farm population of all the States in which eligible institutions are located.

Section 7203(b) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 requires that beginning in fiscal year 2003, funds appropriated for this program be not less than 25 percent of the Hatch Act appropriation.

Section 7204 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 allows unexpended funds to be carried over for use during the following fiscal year.

In accordance with Section 7212(c) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, Federal funds provided under Payments to 1890 Colleges and Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University must be matched by the State from non-Federal sources. For fiscal year 2007 and each fiscal year thereafter, not less than 100 percent of formula funds to be distributed must be matched.

Section 7212(d) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, provides that the Secretary of Agriculture may waive the matching funds requirement above the 50 percent level for any fiscal year for an eligible institution of a State if the Secretary determines the State will be unlikely to satisfy the matching requirement.

Allotments to Tuskegee University and Alabama A&M University shall be determined as if each institution were in a separate State.

4. Special Research Grants - Section 2(c), Act of August 4, 1965, 7 U.S.C. 450i(c), as amended by Public Law 95-113; Public Law 97-98; Public Law 98-284; Public Law 99-198; Public Law 101-624; Public Law 104-127; and Public Law 105-185.

Section 2(c) of the Act of August 4, 1965, as amended, authorizes Special Research Grants for periods not to exceed three years to SAES, all colleges and universities, other research institutions and organizations, Federal agencies, private organizations or corporations, and individuals. Previously, grants were made available for the purpose of conducting research to facilitate or expand promising breakthroughs in areas of the food and agricultural sciences. However, the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 expanded the purposes under this authority to include extension or education activities. Grants funded in this account are only for research projects. Special Research Grants are awarded on a discretionary basis, as well as through the use of competitive scientific peer and merit review processes.

Research grants are also awarded under the Critical Agricultural Materials Act, Public Law 98-284, as amended. Grants are awarded to aquaculture centers under section 1475(d) of Public Law 95-113, as amended. Grants for supplemental and alternative crops are awarded under section 1473D of Public Law 95-113, as amended. Grants for sustainable agriculture research and education are awarded under section 1621 of Public Law 101-624. In accordance with Section 7209 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 grants for the Joe Skeen Institute for Rangeland Restoration are awarded under Section 1480 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977.

5. <u>National Research Initiative Competitive Grants</u> - Section 2(b), Act of August 4, 1965, 7 U.S.C. 450i(b), as amended by Public Law 95-113; Public Law 97-98; Public Law 99-198; Public Law 101-624; Public Law 104-127; and Public Law 107-171.

Section 2(b) of the Act of August 4, 1965, as amended, authorizes competitive research grants for periods not to exceed five years to SAES, all colleges and universities, other research institutions and organizations, Federal agencies, private organizations or corporations, and individuals to further the programs of the Department of Agriculture. The purpose of the National Research Initiative Competitive Grants Program (NRICGP) is to support research with the greatest potential of expanding the knowledge base needed to solve current problems, as well as to meet unforeseen issues that will face the future agricultural and forestry enterprise. The NRICGP also was established to increase the proportion of research funds that the USDA distributes through competitive peer review, and to offer funding for fundamental and missionoriented research in biological, physical, and social science areas that have national impact and are unlikely to be funded at the local or regional level. By obtaining the participation of outstanding researchers in the entire U.S. scientific community, emphasis will be placed on research areas that include natural resources and the environment; nutrition, food safety, and health; plants; animals; markets, trade and rural development; and processing for adding value or developing new products. At least 10 percent of the funds appropriated for the NRICGP are used for strengthening the U.S. agricultural research system. These funds are used to support postdoctoral fellows, new investigators, scientists at small or mid-sized institutions, and faculty at institutions in the Experimental Program for Stimulating Competitive Research (EPSCoR) States (States that historically have not been competitive for research funds.) Section 775 of Public Law 107-76 codified the EPSCoR within the NRICGP. Beginning in fiscal year 2008, appropriations language allows the use of up to 26 percent of the funds appropriated for the NRICGP to support grant activities as those provided in Section 401 of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998.

6. <u>Animal Health and Disease Research</u> - The National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, Section 1433, Public Law 95-113; Public Law 97-98; Public Law 99-198; Public Law 101-624; Public Law 104-127; and Public Law 107-171.

Section 1433 provides for support of livestock and poultry disease research in accredited schools or colleges of veterinary medicine or SAES that conduct animal health and disease research. These funds provide support for new research initiatives and enhance research capacity leading to improved animal health, reduced use of antibacterial drugs and improved safety of foods of animal origin. These funds shall be distributed as follows:

- 4 percent shall be retained by the Department of Agriculture for administration, program assistance to the eligible institutions, and program coordination;
- 48 percent shall be distributed in an amount proportionate to the value of and income to producers from domestic livestock and poultry in each State to the total value of and income to producers from domestic livestock and poultry in all the States; and
- 48 percent shall be distributed in an amount proportionate to the animal health research capacity of the eligible institutions in each State to the total animal health research capacity in all the States.

Eligible institutions must provide non-Federal matching funds in States receiving annual amounts in excess of \$100,000 under this authorization.

- 7. 1994 Institutions Research The Equity in Educational Land-Grant Status Act of 1994, Public Law 103-382, as amended, authorizes a competitive research grants program for institutions designated as 1994 Institutions. Section 777 of the General Provisions of Public Law 108-447 added a new institution, increasing the number of recipients eligible to receive funding under this program to 33. The program allows scientists at the 1994 Institutions to participate in agricultural research activities that address tribal, national, and multi-State priorities.
- 8. <u>Federal Administration (direct appropriation)</u> Authority for direct appropriations is provided in the annual Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. These funds are used to provide support services in connection with the planning and coordination of all research and education programs administered by CSREES, including the Research, Education, and Economics Data Information System and the Electronic Grants Administration System. Other grants also are included.
- 9. <u>Higher Education</u> The National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, Section 1417, Public Law 95-113; Agricultural Public Law 97-98; Public Law 99-198; Second Morrill Act of 1890; Public Law 100-339; Public Law 101-624; Public Law 103-382; Public Law 104-127; Public Law 105-185; Public Law 106-78, Public Law 107-71, and Public Law 108-161.

Higher Education-Graduate Fellowships Grants pursuant to Section 1417(b)(6) are awarded on a competitive basis to colleges and universities to conduct graduate training programs to stimulate the development of food and agricultural scientific expertise in targeted national need areas. The program is designed to attract highly promising individuals to research or teaching careers in areas of the food and agricultural sciences where shortages of expertise exist. Typically graduate students in the food and agricultural sciences require a minimum of four years to complete a doctoral degree. The USDA fellowships program provides support for doctoral study for three years, and the universities are expected to support the student's fourth year of dissertation research.

Institution Challenge Grants pursuant to Section 1417(b)(1) are designed to strengthen institutional capacities, including curriculum, faculty, scientific instrumentation, instruction delivery systems, and student recruitment and retention, to respond to identified State, regional, national, or international educational needs in the food and agricultural sciences, or in rural economic, community, and business development. All Federal funds competitively awarded under this program must be matched by the universities on a dollar-for-dollar basis from non-Federal sources.

The Higher Education Multicultural Scholars Program pursuant to Section 1417(b)(5) increases the ethnic and cultural diversity of the food and agricultural scientific and professional workforce, and advances the educational achievement of minority Americans. This competitive program is designed to help the food and agricultural scientific and professional workforce achieve full participation by members of traditionally underrepresented racial and ethnic groups. It is open to all colleges and universities granting baccalaureate or higher degrees in Agriculture, Forestry, Natural Resources, Home Economics, Veterinary Medicine, and

closely allied fields. Federal funds provide 75 percent of the four-year scholarship awards; the remaining 25 percent is contributed by the grantee institutions.

The 1890 Institution Teaching and Research Capacity Building Grants Program pursuant to 1417(b)(4) stimulates the development of high quality teaching and research programs at the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions and Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University to build their capabilities as full partners in the mission of the Department to provide more, and better trained, professionals for careers in the food and agricultural sciences. This competitive program is designed to strengthen institutional teaching and research capacities through cooperative programs with Federal and non-Federal entities, including curriculum, faculty, scientific instrumentation, instruction delivery systems, student experimental learning, student recruitment and retention, studies and experimentation, centralized research support systems, and technology delivery systems, to respond to identified State, regional, national, or international educational needs in the food and agricultural sciences, or rural economic, community, and business development.

The USDA-Hispanic Serving Institutions Education Partnerships Grants Program pursuant to Section 1455(a) is the foundation for USDA efforts to better serve Hispanic Americans and to prepare them for careers in agriscience and agribusiness. This competitive program expands and strengthens academic programs in the food and agricultural sciences at Hispanic-serving colleges and universities, including two-year community colleges that have at least 25 percent Hispanic enrollment.

The Tribal Colleges Education Equity Grants Program - The Equity in Educational Land-Grant Status Act of 1994, Public Law 103-382, as amended, authorizes the use of funds to benefit those entities identified as the 1994 Land Grant Institutions. Section 777 of the General Provisions of Public Law 108-447 added a new institution, increasing the number of recipients eligible to receive funding under this program to 33. Section 7201 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 increases the authorized amount each institution is eligible to receive from \$50,000 to \$100,000. Funds may be used to support teaching programs in the food and agricultural sciences in the targeted need areas of: 1) curricula design and instructional materials development; 2) faculty development and preparation for teaching; 3) instruction delivery systems; 4) student experimental learning; 5) equipment and instrumentation for teaching; and 6) student recruitment and retention.

The Secondary and Two-year Postsecondary Agriculture Education Challenge Grants Program, authorized by Section 1417(j) of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, as amended (7 U.S.C. 3152 (j)), is designed to promote and strengthen secondary education in agribusiness and agriscience, and to increase the number and/or diversity of young Americans pursuing college degrees in the food and agricultural sciences. The intent of the program is to encourage teachers creatively to incorporate elements of agriscience and agribusiness into secondary education programs. Proposals address targeted need areas of curricula design and instructional materials development; faculty development and preparation for teaching; career awareness; linkages between secondary, 2-year post-secondary, and institutions of higher learning; or education activities promoting diversity in students seeking degrees in agribusiness and agriscience. All Federal funds competitively awarded under this program must be matched by the institution on a dollar-for-dollar basis from non-Federal sources.

The Alaska Native Serving and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Education Grants Program, authorized by Section 759 of Public Law 106-78, is aimed at recruiting, supporting and educating minority scientists and professionals, and advancing the educational capacity of Native-serving institutions. Funds may be used to support projects in the targeted areas of: 1) enhancing educational equity for under-represented students; 2) strengthening educational capacities, including libraries, curriculum, faculty, scientific instrumentation, instruction delivery systems, and student recruitment and retention; 3) attraction and retention of undergraduate and graduate students; and 4) cooperative initiatives to maximize the development of resources such as faculty, facilities and equipment to improve teaching programs.

The Native American Institutions Endowment Fund, authorized by Public Law 103-382, as amended, provides for the establishment of an endowment for the 1994 land-grant institutions (33 Tribally-controlled colleges). The interest derived from the endowment is distributed to the 1994 land-grant institutions on a formula basis. This program will enhance educational opportunities for Native Americans by building educational capacity at these institutions. The institutions are also able to use the funding for facility renovation and construction. On the termination of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall withdraw the income from the endowment fund for the fiscal year, and after making adjustments for the cost of administering the endowment fund, at 4 percent, distribute the adjusted income as follows. Sixty percent of the adjusted income from these funds shall be distributed among the 1994 Institutions on a pro rata basis, the proportionate share being based on the Indian student count. Forty percent of the adjusted income shall be distributed in equal shares to the 1994 Institutions.

The Higher Education Agrosecurity Program, authorized by Section 1484 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, and in support of the President's Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative, provides for competitively awarded grants that focus on educational activities that address biosecurity issues. The program develops and promotes curricula for higher education programs that support the protection of animals, plants, and public health. The program also is designed to provide capacity building grants to universities and other eligible institutions for interdisciplinary degree programs that combine training in food sciences, agriculture sciences, medicine, veterinary medicine, epidemiology, microbiology, chemistry, engineering, and mathematics (statistical modeling) to prepare food system defense professionals.

The Resident Instruction Grants for Insular Areas Program, authorized by Section 7501 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, is designed to enhance teaching programs in extension programs in food and agricultural sciences that are located in the insular areas of the Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau. Funds may be used that enhance programs in agriculture, natural resources, forestry, veterinary medicine, home economics, and disciplines closely allied to the food and agriculture production and delivery systems.

The Veterinary Medical Services Act Program, authorized by Section 1415A of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, provides for a loan repayment program for a specified payment amount of qualifying educational loans of veterinarians for veterinary services during veterinarian shortage situations. In addition, specified amounts of educational loans may be repaid for veterinarian services to the Federal Government in emergency situations, as determined by USDA.

Extension Activities

The mission of the Cooperative Extension System, a national educational network, is to help people improve their lives through an educational process that uses scientific knowledge focused on issues and needs. Cooperative Extension work was established by the Smith-Lever Act of May 8, 1914, as amended. This work is further emphasized in Title XIV (National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy) of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977, as amended. To fulfill the requirements of the Smith-Lever Act, the Cooperative Extension Service in each State, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Marianas and Micronesia, conduct educational programs to improve American agriculture, communities of all sizes, and strengthen families throughout the Nation. This publicly funded, out-of-the classroom educational network combines the expertise and resources of Federal, State and local partners. The partners in this unique system are:

- CSREES of USDA;
- Cooperative Extension Services at land-grant universities throughout the United States and its territories; and

- Cooperative Extension Services in nearly all of the Nation's 3,150 counties.

Thousands of Extension employees and nearly 3 million volunteers support this partnership and magnify its impact. Strong linkages with both public and private external groups are also crucial to the Extension System's strength and vitality.

1. Smith-Lever 3 (b) & (c) formula funds of the Smith-Lever Act of 1914, 38 STAT 372, 7 U.S.C. 343 (b)(3), as amended, comprise approximately two-thirds of the total Federal funding for extension activities. These funds are allocated to the States on the basis of the rural and farm population of each State and the territories. States can utilize funds for locally determined programs, as well as for high priority regional and national concerns.

In accordance with the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, Public Law 105-185, eligible State institutions are required to submit a Plan of Work to CSREES for approval before Smith-Lever 3 (b) & (c) formula funds are distributed. Four percent shall be allotted for Federal administrative, technical, and other services, and for coordinating the extension work of the Department and the several States, Territories, and possessions. The remaining balance of funds formula distribution is:

- 20 percent shall be divided equally among the States;
- 40 percent shall be paid to the several States in the proportion that the rural population of each bears to the total rural population of the several States as determined by the census; and
- 40 percent shall be paid to the several States in the proportion that the farm population of each bears to the total farm population of the several States as determined by the census.

States must expend 25 percent, or two times the level spent in fiscal year 1997 (whichever is less), on cooperative extension activities in which two or more States cooperate to solve problems that concern more than one State. This also applies to activities that integrate cooperative research and extension.

Smith-Lever 3(b) and (c) funding provided to an 1862 Land-Grant Institution must be matched with non-Federal funding on a dollar-for-dollar basis. Matching requirements for the insular areas of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, Micronesia, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands are subject to the matching requirements of an amount equal to not less than 50 percent of the formula funds distributed to each insular area as stated in Section 7213 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002. These provisions also state that the Secretary may waive the matching funds requirement of an insular area for any fiscal year if the Secretary determines the government of the insular area will be unlikely to meet the matching requirement for the fiscal year.

2. <u>Smith-Lever 3(d)</u> - These funds are allocated to the States to address special programs or concerns of regional and national importance. The following Extension programs are supported under the Smith-Lever 3(d) funding mechanism and other specific authorizations:

Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) - Public Law 101-624, Section 1776, 7 U.S.C. 3175 - Funds are used to provide low-income youth and families with information to increase nutrition knowledge and improve nutritional practices. Generally, EFNEP funds are distributed to the States and territories on the basis of a poverty level formula of all the States whose population is living at or below 125 percent of the poverty level. Provisions are made for base funding to all States.

<u>Pest Management</u> - Public Law 101-624, Section 1650, 7 U.S.C. 5881 - This program consists of two major components: integrated pest management (IPM) and cotton pest management. IPM, active in all States as well as Guam, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, addresses the efficient control of pest complexes on crops and livestock and in urban situations. Cotton pest management focuses on cotton insects and is an

earmarked program in 11 States. Funds are distributed on the basis of a formula using boll weevil losses and pesticide sales in each State.

<u>Farm Safety</u> - The Rural Health and Safety Education Act of 1990, 7 U.S.C. 2661, Public Law 101-624, Section 2390 - This program provides farm and ranch residents in all the States with information to assist in reducing and preventing agricultural related work incidents. Extension works with States and the National Easter Seal Society in conducting AgriAbility projects designed to assist farmers with disabilities to stay in farming. The competitively-awarded Youth Farm Safety Education and Certification Program provides funding to states to study training and certification needs of youth employed in agriculture.

<u>Children, Youth, & Families At Risk</u> - This program focuses on America's children, youth and families to help promote and provide positive, productive, secure environments and contributions to communities and the Nation. Projects are awarded competitively to focus on child care, science and reading literacy, and building program and community capacity.

<u>New Technologies for Agricultural Extension</u> - Competitively awarded projects that support an Internet-based tool that provides fast and convenient access to objective, peer-reviewed, and researched-based information, education, and guidance on subjects that include food safety, homeland security, natural resources and environment, youth development, families, nutrition and health, and other agricultural related topics.

<u>Federally-recognized Tribes Extension Program (formerly Extension Indian Reservations)</u> - Public Law 101-624, Section 1677, 7 U.S.C. 5930 — Competitively awarded projects at various Indian Reservations and State Extension Services focus on providing assistance and educational programs in agriculture, community development, families and societal issues facing Native Americans.

Sustainable Agriculture - Public Law 101-624, Section 1629, 7 U.S.C. 5832 - Smith-Lever 3(d) funding for sustainable agriculture programs is used to address the activities described in Chapter 3 of Subtitle B of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation and Trade (FACT) Act of 1990. The purpose is to provide education and training for Cooperative Extension System agents, and other professionals in the university system or other government agencies, involved in the education and transfer of technical information concerning sustainable agriculture. Funds are used for statewide planning of sustainable agriculture programs and competitively awarded projects on a regional basis.

3. <u>Payments to 1890 Colleges and Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University</u> - The National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, Section 1444, 7 U.S.C. 321-326 and 328.

Public Law 95-113, as amended, provides support to the 1890 Land-Grant Colleges and Universities for fostering, developing, implementing and improving extension educational programs to benefit their clientele. The general provisions section 753 of Public Law 107-76 makes West Virginia State University eligible to receive funds under this program. In accordance with the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, Public Law 105-185, eligible State institutions are required to submit a five-year Plan of Work to CSREES for approval before these formula funds are distributed. There shall be appropriated under this section an amount not less than 6 percent of the total appropriations for such year under the Act of May 8, 1914, and related acts pertaining to cooperative extension work at the land-grant institutions identified in the Act. Funds will be distributed as follows:

- 4 percent shall be allotted for administrative, technical, and other services;
- Payments to States in fiscal year 1978 are a fixed base. Of funds in excess of this amount:
 - 20 percent shall be allotted equally to each State;
 - 40 percent shall be allotted in an amount proportionate to the rural population of the State in which the eligible institution is located to the total rural population of all States in which

eligible institutions are located; and

-40 percent shall be allotted in an amount proportionate to the farm population of the State in which the eligible institution is located to the total farm population of all States in which eligible institutions are allocated.

Section 7203(a) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, requires that funds appropriated for this program be not less than 15 percent of the Smith-Lever Act appropriation.

In accordance with Section 7212(c) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, Federal funds provided under Payments to 1890 Colleges and Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University must be matched by the State from non-Federal sources. For fiscal year 2007 and each fiscal year thereafter, not less than 100 percent of formula funds to be distributed must be matched.

Section 7212(d) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, provides that the Secretary of Agriculture may waive the matching funds requirement above the 50 percent level for any fiscal year for an eligible institution of a State if the Secretary determines that the State will be unlikely to satisfy the matching requirement.

Allotments to Tuskegee University and Alabama A&M University shall be determined as if each institution were in a separate State. Four percent of the funds appropriated under this Act is set-aside for Federal Administration.

- 4. The Renewable Resources Extension Act Renewable Resources Extension Act of 1978, 16 U.S.C. 1671, Amended Section 5A. 16 U.S.C. 167a. Provides funding for expanded natural resources education programs. Funds are distributed by formula to all States for educational programs.
- 5. <u>Rural Health and Safety</u> Rural Health and Safety Education Act of 1990, Public Law 101-624, Section 2390, 7 U.S.C. 2661 This program helps rural residents avoid the numerous obstacles to maintaining their health status. This program maintains the ongoing rural health projects in Mississippi and Louisiana that focus on training health care professionals in rural areas.
- 6. <u>1890 Facilities (Sec. 1447)</u> The National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, Public Law 95-113, 7 U.S.C. 3222b, funds are used to upgrade research, extension, and teaching facilities at the 1890 land-grant colleges, including Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University.
- 7. Extension Services at the 1994 Institutions The Equity in Education Land-Grant Status Act of 1994 (section 534 of Public Law 103-382), as amended, authorizes appropriations for Native American communities and Tribal Colleges for extension activities as set forth in the Smith Lever Act. Funding is awarded on a competitive basis.
- 8. <u>Grants to Youth Serving Institutions</u> Section 410 of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, as amended, allows grants to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, Boy Scouts of America, National 4-H Council, and the National Future Farmers of America Organization to establish projects to expand the programs carried out by the organizations in rural areas and small towns.
- 9. <u>Federal Administration (Direct Appropriation)</u> Provides a portion of the general operating funds for the Federal staff, and national program planning, coordination, and program leadership for the extension work in partnership with the States and territories.

Integrated Activities

The following programs are included under the integrated activities account:

Note: It is proposed that, in FY 2009, Section 406 programs be funded under the National Research Initiative Competitive Grants Program.

- 1. Water Quality Section 406 of Public Law 105-185, as amended This program assists the State Agricultural Experiment Stations and the Cooperative Extension System to become viable partners with other State and Federal agencies in addressing water quality problems of National importance. These funds are provided under competitive awards.
- 2. <u>Food Safety</u> Section 406 of Public Law 105-185, as amended This program provides for research, extension, and education programs to improve the safety of food products and to create a public that is more informed about food safety issues. These funds are provided under competitive awards.
- 3. <u>Regional Pest Management Centers</u> Section 406 of Public Law 105-185, as amended Pest management centers are the focal point for team building efforts, communication networks, and stakeholder participation within a given region. The centers bring together and help focus the institutional and individual expertise needed to address successfully a range of pest management issues confronting farmers and other pest managers (e.g., regulatory restrictions, development of pest resistance, invasive species, and biotechnology). These funds are provided under competitive awards.
- 4. <u>Crops at Risk from Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) Implementation</u> Section 406 of Public Law 105-185, as amended This program is an intermediate-term research and extension program with the atrisk cropping system as the focal point. Development of new multiple-tactic IPM strategies designed to assist in the transition period for certain pesticides affected by the implementation of the FQPA of 1996 is the goal of the program. These funds are provided under competitive awards.
- 5. <u>FQPA Risk Mitigation Program for Major Food Crop Systems</u> Section 406 of Public Law 105-185, as amended This program emphasizes the development and implementation of new and innovative pest management systems designed to maintain the productivity and profitability of major acreage crops, while meeting or exceeding environmental quality and human health standards as required by the FQPA. These funds are provided under competitive awards.
- 6. Methyl Bromide Transition Program Section 406 of Public Law 105-185, as amended This program is designed to support the discovery and implementation of practical pest management alternatives for commodities affected by the methyl bromide phase-out. The program focuses on short- to medium-term solutions for all commodities at risk using either combinations of presently available technologies or some newly developed practices. These funds are provided under competitive awards.
- 7. Organic Transition Program Section 406 of Public Law 105-185, as amended This program supports the development and implementation of biologically based pest management practices that mitigate the ecological, agronomic and economic risks associated with a transition from conventional to organic agricultural production systems. These funds are provided under competitive awards.
- 8. <u>International Science and Education Grants Program</u> Section 1459A of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, Public Law 95-113 This is a competitive program focused on incorporating substantive international activities into programs related to food systems agriculture and natural resources at U.S. land-grant colleges and universities.

- 9. <u>Critical Issues Program</u> Section 2(c)(1)(B) of Public Law 89-106 This program supports the development of early intervention strategies to prevent, manage or eradicate new and emerging diseases, both plant and animal, which would prevent loss of revenue to growers or producers.
- 10. <u>Rural Development Centers</u> Section 2(c)(1)(B) of Public Law 89-106 This program provides funds at four regional centers in Pennsylvania, Mississippi, Utah, and Iowa. Programs are designed to improve the social and economic well-being of rural communities in their respective regions. These funds are distributed according to the extent of the problem that requires attention in each state.
- 11. <u>Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative Program (formerly Homeland Security)</u> Section 1484 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 This program provides support for an unified network of public agricultural institutions to identify and respond to high risk biological pathogens in the food and agricultural system. The network will be used to increase the ability to protect the Nation from disease threats by identifying, containing, and minimizing disease threats. In FY 2009, the program also will support the development of a pest risk management tool for Asian soybean rust and other pathogens of legumes.

Section 2501, Outreach and Technical Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers Activities

Outreach and Technical Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers Program - Section 2501 of the FACT Act of 1990, Public Law 101-624 - This program serves Black farmers, Tribal groups, Hispanic and other growing groups of minority farmers and ranchers, and socially disadvantaged groups by encouraging participation in specific USDA loan, conservation, technical assistance, and related programs. The competitive program enhances the ability of minority farmers and ranchers to operate farms and ranches independently and produce income adequate to service debt, maintain operations, and provide a reasonable lifestyle. The program provides grants to educational institutions and community-based organizations to encourage and assist socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers to own and operate farms and ranches, to participate in USDA agricultural programs, and to become integral parts of the agricultural community.

For the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, program coordination and planning are carried out by staff located entirely in the Washington, D.C. area. As of September 30, 2007, there were 380 full time employees and 15 other than permanent full time employees.

Agency Audit Reports

Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service

OMB Circular A-133 Audits

Auburn University, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2002
College of Micronesia Land Grant Program, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2002
Kentucky State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002
National Tribal Development Association, for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2002
Northern Marianas College, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2002
Ohio State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002
South Carolina State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002
State of Colorado, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002
State of Connecticut, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002
Tuskegee University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002
University of Massachusetts, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002
University of Puerto Rico, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002

University of the Virgin Islands, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2002

University of Wyoming, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002

California State University, Fresno Foundation, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

College of Micronesia Land Grant Program, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2003

Delaware State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

Howard University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

Kentucky State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

Lincoln University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

Northern Marianas College, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2003

South Carolina State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

State of Florida, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

The Northern West Virginia Center for Independent Living for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2003

The Oceanic Institute, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

Tuskegee University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

University of Alabama, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2003

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

University of Massachusetts, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

University of the Virgin Islands, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2003

California State University, Fresno Foundation, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004

College of Micronesia, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2004

Delaware State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

Hope College, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

Howard University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

Kentucky State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

Langston University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

Lincoln University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

Northern Marianas College, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2004

Prairie View A&M University, for the Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2004

South Carolina State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

State of Florida, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

The Northern West Virginia Center for Independent Living for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2004

The Oceanic Institute, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

Tuskegee University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

United Indian Health Services, Inc., for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

United Tribes Technical College, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

University of Alabama, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2004

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

University of Massachusetts, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

University of the Virgin Islands, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2004

California State University, Fresno Foundation, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

College of Micronesia, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2005

Delaware State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Howard University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Keck Graduate Institute, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Kentucky State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Lincoln University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Northern Marianas College, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2005

South Carolina State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

State of Florida, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

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United Indian Health Services, Inc., for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

University of Alabama, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2005

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

University of Massachusetts, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

University of the District, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2005

University of the Virgin Islands, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2005

Bay Mills Community College, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Cankdeska Cikana Community College, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2006

Delaware State University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Drake University, for the Fiscal Year Ended May 31, 2006

Fort Peck Community College, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2006

Keck Graduate Institute, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Leech Lake Tribal College, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Lincoln University, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Multnomah County School, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

National 4-H Council, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Nebraska Indian Community College, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Northwest Indian College, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Oceanic Institute and Subsidiary, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Oglala Lakota College, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2006

Pacific International Center, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2006

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2006

Sitting Bull College, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Stone Child College, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2006

Tohono O'Odham Community College, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Turtle Mountain Community College, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

OIG Reports (OIG Audit No. and Title)

13001-3-Te	CSREES Implementation of Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998
13011-3-At	Review of 1994 Tribal Land Grant Institutions
13501-01-HY	CSREES Applications Controls Review of Cooperative Research Education and Extension
	Management System
13601-1-Hy	National Research Initiative – Competitive Grants Program
50099-17-KC	CSREES Biosecurity Grant Funding Controls Over Biosecurity Grant Funds Usage
50601-5-At	CSREES Facilities Construction Grants
50601-13-Ch	Implementation of Renewable Energy Programs in USDA
50601-14-Te	Exports of Genetically Engineered Agricultural Commodities
50601-16-Te	Controls over Genetically Engineered Animal and Insect Research

GAO Studies (GAO Job Code and Title)

07-38	Small Business Innovation Research Program: Agencies Need to Strengthen Efforts to Improve
	the Completeness, Consistency, and Accuracy of Awards Data
07-100	Financial Literacy and Education Commission
07-201	Trade Adjustment Assistance: New Program for Farmers Provides Some Assistance, but Has
	Had Limited Participation and Low Program Expenditures

07-563	Tax Exempt Organizations with Federal Tax Debt Review
07-1090T Testimony	
07-604	Influenza Pandemic: Efforts to Forestall Onset Are Under Way; Identifying Countries at
	Greatest Risk Entails Challenges
07-652	Avian Influenza: USDA Has Taken Important Steps to Prepare for Outbreaks but Better
	Planning Could Improve Response
07-714	Science and Technology Information on Federal Programs and Interagency Efforts that Support
	Small Businesses Engaged in Manufacturing
07-781	Influenza Pandemic: Further Efforts Are Needed to Ensure Clearer Federal Leadership Roles
	and an Effective National Strategy
07-1130	Beginning Farmers Additional Steps Needed to Demonstrate the Effectiveness of USDA
	Assistance
07-1171R	USDA Classical Plant and Animal Breeding Research

Available Funds and Staff-Years

2007 Actual and Estimated 2008 and 2009

;	2007	:	2008 :	:	2009 :	
:	Actual :	: :	Estimated :	: :	Estimated :	
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Item :	Amount	Staff: Years:	Amount :	Staff : Years :	Amount :	Staff Years
Direct Appropriations:	Anount .	i cars .	Amount .	I cais .	Amount .	1 cars
Research and Education Activities	\$671,419,000	225 :	\$668,286,000 :		\$535,277,000 :	234
Native American Endowment Fund			11,880,000 :		11,880,000 :	
Endowment Interest			3,209,000 :		3,700,000 :	
Extension Activities	450,346,000 :	158 :	453,265,000 :	172 :	431,753,000 :	190
Integrated Activities:	55,234,080 :	8:	55,850,000 :	8:	20,120,000 :	4
Section 2501:	5,940,000 :	2:	6,395,000 :	2:	6,930,000 :	2
Trade and Biotechnology Activities (Specialty Crops):	40,000 :	:	:	:	:	
Risk Management Education Program:		:	5,000,000 :	:	5,000,000 :	
Biodiesel Fuel Education Program, Section 9004:		:	:	:	:	
Community Food Projects:		:	:	:	:	
Congressional Relations:		:	:	:	:	
Organic Agriculture Research and Extension Initiative, Sec. 7218:		:	3,000,000 :	:	:	
Rescission on CSREES Programs		:	8,345,000 :	<u> :</u>	<u> </u>	
Total, Direct Appropriations	1,212,347,693 :	393 :	1,215,230,000 :	431 :	1,014,660,000 :	431
Transfer to USDA Office of Ethics		:	-108,000 :	:	 i	
Adjusted Direct Appropriations	1,212,347,693	393 :	1,215,122,000 :	431 :	1,014,660,000 :	431
	:	:	:	:	:	
Obligations under other USDA appropriations:	;	;	:	:	:	
Research and Education Activities:	:	:	:	:	:	
Agricultural Research Service:	1 000 160	:	1.000.142	:	1 000 160	
Biotechnology Risk Assessment	1,908,162 :	:	1,908,162 :	:	1,908,162 :	
Shared Cost of the National Agricultural Research, Education,	140.000 :	:	: 140,000 :	:	140,000	
Extension, and Economics Advisory Board	115,000 :	:	140,000 :	:	140,000 : 115,000 :	
Foreign Agricultural Service:	115,000 :	:	115,000 :	:	115,000 :	
Salary, Benefits, and Operating Expenses for Detailee	303,613 :	:	303,613 :	:	303.613 :	
Forest Service:	303,013 .	:	303,013 .	:	303,013 :	
Conifer Translational Genomics Network	1,000,000 :		:		:	
Joe Skeen Institute for Rangeland	335,000 :	:	335,000 :	:	335,000 :	
National Atmospheric Deposition Program	316,087 :		316,087 :	:	316,087 :	
Rural Management Agency:	510,007	:	310,007	:	310,067	
Soybean Rust	5,000,000 :		5,000,000 :		5,000,000 :	
Various agencies sharing cost of the USDA Small	3,000,000 .		3,000,000		3,000,000	
Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR)	3,201,049 :		3,228,474 :	:	1,979,800 :	
Various research agencies sharing cost of the Current :	3,201,047 .		3,220,474 .		1,575,000	
Research Information System (CRIS)	582,298 :	9 :	582,298 :	Q .	582,298 :	9
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	210,817 :		210,817 :	'	210,817 :	,
Other Anticipated Reimbursements.		:	472,575 :	:	3,221,249	
Subtotal, Res./Ed. Other USDA Appropriations	13,112,026 :	9:	12,612,026 :	9:	14,112,026 :	Q
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xtension Activities:	<u>:</u>		<u> </u>	:	<u>:</u>	
Foreign Agricultural Service:	:	:			:	
International Extension Activities	197,757 :		197,757 :	:	197,757 :	
Iraq Agricultural Extension Revitalization Project	6,270,000 :	:	3,100,000 :	:	2,600,000 :	
Structuring Agricultural Marketing	283,800 :	:	:	:	_,	
Natural Resources Conservation Service:	:	:		:	•	
Conservation Effects Assessment Project	600,000 :	:	600,000 :	:	600,000 ;	
Office of Civil Rights:		:	:	:		
Salary and Benefits for Detailee	102,177 :		102,177 :	:	:	
Risk Management Agency:	:	:		:	:	
Support RMA Risk Management Education Division	260,000 :	:		:	:	
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	23,640 :	:	:	:	:	
Other Anticipated Reimbursements	,	:	3,000,000 :		3,000,000 :	
Subtotal, Extension Other USDA Appropriations	7,737,374 :	0 :	6,999,934 :	0 :	6,397,757 :	0
Total, CSREES Other USDA Appropriations	20,849,400 :	9:	19,611,960 :	9 :	20,509,783 :	9
Total, Agriculture Appropriations	1,233,197,093 :	402 :	1,234,841,960 :	440 :	1.035,169,783 :	440

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Research and Education Activities:	 :			:	:		
Army Corps of Engineers:	 :						
Development of Analytical Tools	: 248,600 :	:	248,600 :		248,600 ;		
Department of Commerce:	: :	:		:	· :		
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration,			:	:	:		
National Atmospheric Deposition Program	: 260,536 :		260,536 :	:	260,536 :		
Department of Defense:	:		:	:			
Rural Economic Transition Assistance Hawaii II	: 1,830,735 :		1,400,000 :	:	1,400,000 :		
Foot and Mouth Disease		:	600,000 :	:	600,000 :		
U. S. Army Environmental Center Liaison		:	181,135 :	:	181,135 :		
Department of Interior:			:				
Geological Survey, Atmospheric Deposition	: 716,137 :	:	716.137 :	:	716,137 :		
National Park Service, Atmospheric Deposition			306,356 :	:	306,356 :		
Environmental Protection Agency:			:				
National Atmospheric Deposition Program	: 446,408 :	:	446,408 :	:	446,408 :		
Miscellaneous Reimbursements			173,077 :		173,077 :		
Other Anticipated Reimbursements		:	500,000 :	:	2,500,000 :		
Subtotal, Res./Educ. Other Federal Funds		0 :	4,832,249 :	0 :	6,832,249 ;		
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extension Activities:	_i :	:	:	:	:		
Department of Defense:	: :	:	:	:	:		
Family Life Skills	: 3,155,680:	:	3,155,680 :	:	3,155,680 :		
Family Education and Advocacy Programs		:	1,934,770 :	:	1,934,770 :		
Army Youth Development Project		:	7,505,000 :	:	7,505,000 :		
Air Force 4-H Programs		:	:	:	715,000 :		
Multi-Component Family Support Network Initiative	: 3,730,000 :	:	3,730,000 :	:	3,730,000 :		
Department of Health and Human Services:	: . :	:	:	:	:		
Youth and Families Administration of Children	: 600,000 :	:	600,000 :	:	600,000 :		
Food and Animal Residue Avoidance Database	: 958,485 :	:	:	:	:		
Department of Housing and Urban Development:	: :	:	:	:	;		
Healthy Homes Project		:	310,000 :	:	310,000 :		
IPM Training to Public Housing Authorities	: 175,000 :	:	:	:	;		
Environmental Protection Agency:	: :	:	- 0:	:	0 :		
Training for Pesticide Applicators		· :	1,200,000 :	:	1,200,000 :		
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	•	:	127,718 :	:	127,718 :		
Other Anticipated Reimbursements		:	1,500,000 :	<u> </u>	1,000,000 :		
Subtotal, Extension Other Federal Funds		0 :	20,063,168	0:	20,278,168 :		
Total, CSREES Other Federal Funds			24,895,417 :	0:	27,110,417 :		
Total, CSREES Available Funds	: 1,267,971,730 :	402 :	1,259,629,377 :	440 :	1,062,280,200:	440	

EXHIBIT 6

Permanent Positions by Grade and Staff-Year Summary

2007 Actual and Estimated 2008 and 2009

		2007	::	2008	::	2009
Grade	::	Headquarters	::	Headquarters	::	Headquarters
Senior Executive						
Service	::	10	::	10	::	10
GS-15	::	72	::	79	::	79
GS-14	::	62	::	63	::	63
GS-13	::	40	::	53	::	53
GS-12	::	62	::	61	::	61
GS-11	::	24	::	30	::	30
GS-10	::	1	::	1	::	1
GS-9	::	24	::	20	::	20
GS-8	::	23	::	22	::	22
GS-7	::	53	::	61	::	61
GS-6	::	18	::	28	::	28
GS-5	::	4	::	10	::	10
GS-4	::	2	::	2	::	2
GS-3	::	0	::	0	::	0
GS-2	::	1	::	0	::	0
Total Permanent		-			41	in the second of
Positions	::	396	::	440	::	440
Unfilled Positions end-of-year	::	-16	::	-26	::	-26
Total, Permanent Full-Time Employment,		280		414		414
end-of-year	::	380	::	414		414
Staff-Year Estimate	::	402	::	440	::	440

The estimates include appropriation language for this item as follows (new language underscored; deleted matter enclosed in brackets).

Research and Education Activities

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For payments to agricultural experiment stations, for cooperative forestry and other research, for facilities, and for other expenses, [\$672,997,000] \$535,277,000, as follows: to carry out the provisions of the Hatch Act of 1887 (7 U.S.C. 361a-i), [\$197,192,000]\$139,208,000, of which, notwithstanding the provisions of section 3(b) and (c) of Hatch Act of 1887 (7 U.S.C. 361c(b) and (c)) and after allocation of the amount provided under section 3(c)(4) of such act (7 U.S.C. 361c(c)(4)), \$40,848,000 shall be allocated in the same proportions as funds were allocated under sections 3(b), 3(c)(1) and (2) of such act (7 U.S.C. 361c(b) and (c)(1) and (2)) for fiscal year 2008, and \$98,360,000 shall be available for continued funding of current grants and competitive award of grants with terms not to exceed five years under the Multistate Research Fund established under section 3(c)(3) of such act (7 U.S.C. 361c(c)(3)); for grants for cooperative forestry research (16 U.S.C. 582a through a-7), [\$24,966,000]\$19,463,000, of which \$6,491,000 shall be allocated to eligible institutions on the same basis as such funds were allocated in FY 2008 and \$12,972,000 shall be available for competitive grants to institutions eligible under 16 U.S.C. 582a-1 under the terms specified in subsections (c) through (f) of section 1232 of Public Law 101-624 (16 U.S.C. 582a-8(c) through (f)) subject to a 100 percent match by the recipient; for payments to eligible institutions (7 U.S.C. 3222), [\$41,340,000] \$38,331,000, provided that each institution receives no less than \$1,000,000; for special grants for agricultural research (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)), [\$92,422,000] \$3,258,000[, of which \$2,095,000 shall be for grants pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 3155]; for competitive grants for agricultural research on improved pest control (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)), [\$15,421,000] \$14,856,000; for competitive research grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)), [\$192,229,000] \$256,500,000, to remain available until expended; [for the support of animal health and disease programs (7 U.S.C. 3195), \$5,006,000; for supplemental and alternative crops and products (7 U.S.C. 3319d),

\$825,000; for grants for research pursuant to the Critical Agricultural Materials Act (7 U.S.C. 178 et seq.), \$1,091,000, to remain available until expended;] for the 1994 research grants program for 1994 institutions pursuant to section 536 of Public Law 103-382 (7 U.S.C. 301 note), [\$1,544,000] 6 \$1,067,000, to remain available until expended; [for rangeland research grants (7 U.S.C. 3333). \$990,000;] for higher education graduate fellowship grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(6)), [\$3,701,000] 7 \$4,455,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); [for a program pursuant to section 1415A of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3151a), \$875,000, to remain available until expended;] for higher education challenge grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(1)), [\$5,423,000] \$6,695,000; for a higher education multicultural scholars program (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(5)), \$988,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 8 2209b); for a higher education agrosecurity education program (7 U.S.C. 3351), \$2,000,000 to remain available until expended; for an education grants program for Hispanic-serving Institutions (7 U.S.C. 3241), [\$6,089,000] \$5,588,000; for competitive grants for the purpose of carrying out all provisions of 7 U.S.C. 3242 (section 759 of Public Law 106-78) to individual eligible institutions or consortia of eligible institutions in Alaska and in Hawaii, with funds awarded equally to each of the States of Alaska and Hawaii, [\$3,218,000] \$2,967,000; for a secondary agriculture education program and 2-year post-secondary education (7 U.S.C. 3152(j)), \$990,000; for aquaculture grants (7 U.S.C. 3322), \$3,956,000; for sustainable agriculture research and education (7 U.S.C. 5811), [\$14,500,000] \$9,138,000; for a program of capacity building grants (7 U.S.C. 3152(b)(4)) to institutions eligible to receive funds under 7 U.S.C. 3221 and 3222, [\$13,688,000] \$12,375,000, to remain available until expended (7 U.S.C. 2209b); for payments to the 1994 Institutions pursuant to section 534(a)(1) of Public Law 103-382, [\$3,342,000] \$2,227,000; for resident instruction grants for insular areas under section 1491 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3363), [\$750,000] \$495,000; and for necessary expenses of Research and Education Activities, [\$42,451,000] \$10,720,000, of which \$2,723,000 for the Research, Education, and Economics Information System and \$2,151,000 for the Electronic Grants Information System, are to remain available until

expended. [: Provided, That hereafter none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available to carry out research related to the production, processing, or marketing of tobacco or tobacco products: Provided further, That hereafter this paragraph shall not apply to research on the medical, biotechnological, food, and industrial uses of tobacco.]

The first change adds language for the allocation of funds for the Hatch Act between formula funding and competitive grants under the Multistate Research Fund (7 U.S.C. 361a-i). The change in FY 2009 proposes an alternative approach to expand and continuously recompete the Hatch Act multi-state awards. With the alternative approach, a portion of the formula funds would be redirected to nationally, competitively awarded multi-state/multi-institutional projects from a base of 25 percent of Hatch funds currently allotted to multi-state research projects. This new approach for multi-state programming sustains the matching requirement and the leveraging of Federal funds, and allows institutions to focus on program strengths they identify and sustain through linking local issues to broad national goals. The program also can be designed to allow five year projects supporting the goal of continuity for research activities.

The second change adds language for the allocation of funds for the Cooperative Forestry program between formula funding and competitive grants (16 U.S.C. 582a through a-7). The change in FY 2009 proposes an alternative approach under the McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Program (McIntire-Stennis) to redirect a portion of the formula funds to nationally, competitively awarded multi-state/multi-institutional projects from a current zero base in McIntire-Stennis. This approach for multi-state programming sustains the matching requirement and the leverage of Federal funds, and it allows institutions to focus on program strengths they identify and sustain through linking local issues to broad national issues.

The third change deletes language for the amounts pursuant to grants under (7 U.S.C. 3155).

The fourth change adds the authority for competitive research grants (7 U.S.C. 450i(b)) to remain available until expended.

The fifth change deletes language for Animal Health and Disease programs (7 U.S.C. 3195), the Supplemental and Alternative Crops and Products (7 U.S.C.3319d), and the Critical Agricultural Materials Act (7 U.S.C. 178 et seq.).

The sixth change deletes language for the Rangeland Research Grants Program (7 U.S.C. 3333).

<u>The seventh change</u> deletes language for a program pursuant to section 1415A of the National Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching Policy of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3151a).

The eighth change adds the authority for the higher education agrosecurity education program (7 U.S.C. 3351).

Native American Institutions Endowment Fund

For the Native American Institutions Endowment Fund authorized by Public Law 103-382

(7 U.S.C. 301 note), \$11,880,000, to remain available until expended. (7 U.S.C. 328, 427, 427i, 1281 note, 1621, 2201, 2204, 2225, 3101 note; 10 U.S.C. 2306; 16 U.S.C. 590(a)-590(b), 590(k); 18 U.S.C. 1114; 19 U.S.C. 1306(a), 1306(c); 20 U.S.C. 191-194; 21 U.S.C. 114c, 114e-131; 42 U.S.C. 1476(e), 1483; Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008.)

Lead-Off Tabular Statement

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

Appropriations Act, 2008 Budget Estimate, 2009 Decrease in Appropriation		\$688,086,000 <u>550,857,000</u> -137,229,000	_
Adjustments in 2008: Appropriations Act, 2008 Rescission under P.L. 110-161 <u>b</u> /	\$688,08		
Adjusted base for 2008 Budget Estimate, Current Law, 2009 Decrease from adjusted base	683,375 550,85 -132,51	7,000	

a/ Totals include an estimate for the interest earned on the Native American Endowment Fund. That amount is \$3,209,000 in Fiscal Year 2008 and \$3,700,000 in Fiscal Year 2009.

SUMMARY OF INCREASES AND DECREASES

(On basis of adjusted appropriation)

Item of Change	2008 Estimated	Pay Costs	Program Changes	2009 <u>Estimated</u>
Research and Education Activities:				
Payments under the Hatch Act	\$195,812,000		-\$56,604,000	\$139,208,000
Cooperative Forestry Program	24,791,000		-5,328,000	19,463,000
Animal Health and Disease	4,971,000		-4,971,000	
Payments to 1890 Colleges and				
Tuskegee University	41,051,000		-2,720,000	38,331,000
Special Research Grants	91,775,000		-88,517,000	3,258,000
Improved Pest Control	15,313,000		-457,000	14,856,000
Aquaculture Centers Sec. 1475	3,928,000		+28,000	3,956,000
Critical Agriculture Materials	1,083,000		-1,083,000	
Sustainable Agriculture Research and				
Education Program	14,399,000		-5,261,000	9,138,000
1994 Competitive Research Grants	1,533,000		-466,000	1,067,000
Supplemental and Alternative Crops	819,000		-819,000	
Joe Skeen Inst. for Rangeland Restoration	983,000		-983,000	
National Research Initiative	190,883,000		+65,617,000	256,500,000
Federal Administration (Direct				• •
Appropriation)	42,154,000	+755,000	-32,189,000	10,720,000
Higher Education Programs:				
Graduate Fellowships Grants	3,675,000		+780,000	4,455,000
Institution Challenge Grants	5,385,000		+1,310,000	6,695,000
Hispanic Serving Institutions Education				
Grants Program	6,046,000		-458,000	5,588,000
Tribal Colleges Education Equity Grants	, ,		,	, ,
Program	3,319,000		-1,092,000	2,227,000
Secondary/2-Year Post Secondary	983,000		+7,000	990,000
Agrosecurity Education			+2,000,000	2,000,000
Alaska Native-serving and Native			, ,	, ,
Hawaiian-serving Institutions	3,196,000		-229,000	2,967,000
1890 Institution Capacity Building Grants	13,592,000		-1,217,000	12,375,000
Multicultural Scholars	981,000		+7,000	988,000
Resident Instruction Grants for Insular	•		,	
Areas	745,000		-250,000	495,000
Veterinary Medical Services Act	869,000		-869,000	,
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Subtotal	668,286,000	+755,000	-133,764,000	535,277,000

b/ This amount is rescinded pursuant to Division A, Title VII, Section 752 of P.L. 110-161.

Native American Institutions Interest	3,209,000		+491,000	3,700,000
Native American Endowment	11,880,000			11,880,000
Total Available, Research and Education Activities	683,375,000	+755,000	-133,273,000	550,857,000

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

Project Statement (On basis of appropriation)

:	2007 Actual	: :	2008 Estimat		:	2009 Estimate	d
: Project :	Amount	Staff: Years:	Amount	: : Staff : : Years :	Increase or : Decrease :	Amount	: Staff : Years
Research & Education Activities:		: : : :		: : : :	:		:
Hatch Act:	\$322,597,000	: : : :	\$195,812,000	: : : :	: -56,604,000 :	\$139,208,000	:
Cooperative Forestry Research : Program:	30,008,000	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	24,791,000	 : :	-5,328,000 :	19,463,000	:
Payments to 1890 Colleges and : Tuskegee University	40,680,000	: : : :	41,051,000	: : : :	: : -2,720,000 :	38,331,000	: : :
Animal Health and Disease Research, : Section 1433:	5,006,430	: : : :	4,971,000	: : : :	: : -4,971,000 :		:
Special Research Grants : Other Special Research Grants : Global Change, UV-Monitoring : Minor Use Animal Drugs : Nat'l Biological Impact Assessment : Total Special Research Grants :			90,164,000 1,611,000 91,775,000		-90,164,000 : +814,000 : +582,000 : +251,000 :	2,425,000 582,000 251,000 3,258,000	:
Improved Pest Control : Expert IPM Decision Supp. System:	155,430		154,000		: : +21,000 :	175,000	
Integrated Pest Management: Minor Crop Pest Mgmt, IR-4: Pest Management Alternatives:	2,395,800 : 10,677,150 : 1,421,640 :	:	2,379,000 : 11,368,000 : 1,412,000 :	: :	+319,000 : -988,000 : +191,000 :	2,698,000 10,380,000 1,603,000	<u>:</u>
Total Improved Pest Control::	14,650,020	:	15,313,000	: :	-457,000 : :	14,856,000	:
Critical Agricultural Materials : Act of 1984	1,090,980	:	1,083,000	:	-1,083,000 :		:
Aquaculture Centers, Section 1475	3,928,300		3,928,000		+28,000 :	3,956,000	:
Sustainable Agriculture:	12,276,000	:	14,399,000	:	-5,261,000 :	9,138,000	:
1994 Research Program:	1,544,000	:	1,533,000	:	-466,000 :	1,067,000	:
Supplemental and Alternative Crops, : Section 1473D	1,175,130		819,000		-819,000 :		: :
National Research Initiative (NRI)	190,229,000	:	190,883,000	:	+65,617,000 :	256,500,000	:
Joe Skeen Institute for Rangeland : Restoration, NM, TX, MT	: : 990,000	:	983,000 :	:	-983,000 :		· : :

:	2007 Actual	: :	2008 Estimated :		:	2009 Estimated	d	
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REEIS	2,561,000		2,704,000		+19,000 :	2,723,000	:	
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Funding for Pay Cost: Partial Funding for Office of :	4,961,000	:	4,218,000	:	+755,000 :	4,973,000	:	
Extramural Programs:	419,000 :	:	440,000 :	:	+3.000 :	443,000	•	
Partial Funding for Peer Panels:	307,000		397,000 :		+33,000 :	430,000		
Compliance with P.L. 106-107 and :	,				•	,	•	
Govt Paperwork Elimination Act:	2,030,000	•	2,136,000 :	•	+15,000	2,151,000	•	
Other			32,259,000 :		-32,259,000 :	2,131,000		
Total Federal Administration	10,278,000		42,154,000 :		-31,434,000 :	10,720,000	: -	
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Higher Education:	•	•		•	•		•	
Graduate Fellowships Grants	3,700,620 :	:	3,675,000 :	•	+780,000 :	4,455,000	•	
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Institution Challenge Grants:	5,423,000 :		5,385,000 :		+1,310,000 :	6,695,000		
1890 Institution Capacity Building Grants . :	12,375,000 :		13,592,000 :		-1,217,000 :	12,375,000		
Multicultural Scholars:	988,020 :	:	981,000 :	:	+7,000 :	988,000	:	
Hispanic Serving Institutions Education :		:		:	:		:	
Grants Program:	5,940,000 :	:	6,046,000 :	:	-458,000 :	5,588,000	:	
Tribal Colleges Education Equity Grants :	:	:	:	:	:		:	
Program:	3,342,000 :	:	3,319,000 :		-1,092,000 :	2,227,000		
Secondary/2-Year Post Secondary:	990,000 :	:	983,000 :	:	+7,000 :	990,000	:	
Agrosecurity Education:	:	:	:	:	+2,000,000:	2,000,000		
Veterinary Medical Services Act:	495,000 :	:	869,000 :	:	-869,000 :		:	
Alaska Native-serving and Native-serving :	:	:	:	:	:		:	
Institutions:	3,217,500 :	:	3,196,000 :	:	-229,000 :	2,967,000	:	
Resident Instruction Grants for Insular :	:	:	:	:	:		:	
Areas:	495,000 :	:	745,000 :	:	-250,000 ;	495,000	:	
Total Higher Education Grants:	36,966,140 :	:	38,791,000 :	:	-11,000 :	38,780,000	:	
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Endowment Fund:	12,000,000 :	:	11,880,000 :	:	:	11,880,000	:	
Interest Earned	3,249,613 :	:	3,209,000 :		+491,000 :	3,700,000		
Total Endowment Fund:	15,249,613 :	:	15,089,000 :		+491,000 :	15,580,000		
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Total Available or Estimate:	686,668,613 :	234 :	683,375,000 :	258 :	-132,518,000 :	550,857,000	244	
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Total Appropriation:	683,419,000 :	234 :	684,877,000 :	258 :				

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

Project Statement (On basis of Available Funds)

(Includes Carryover Balance) 2007 Actual : 2009 Estimated 2008 Estimated Staff: Staff: Increase or : Staff Project Years Decrease Amount Amount Years Research & Education Activities: Hatch Act \$322,552,000 \$195,812,000 -56,604,000 : \$139,208,000 Cooperative Forestry Research 30,008,000 24,791,000 -5,328,000: 19,463,000 Program Payments to 1890 Colleges and Tuskegee University: 40,680,000 41,051,000 -2,720,000: 38,331,000 Animal Health and Disease Research, Section 1433 5,006,430 4,971,000 -4,971,000 : **Special Research Grants** Other Special Research Grants 90,164,000 -90,164,000 : Global Change, UV-Monitoring: 1,611,000 +814,000 : 2,425,000 : Minor Use Animal Drugs: +582,000 : 582,000 : Nat'l Biological Impact Assessment: +251,000: 251,000 : 91,775,000 : -88,517,000 : 3,258,000 : Total Special Research Grants: **Improved Pest Control** Expert IPM Decision Supp. System: 155,430 154,000 : +21,000: 175,000 : Integrated Pest Management: 2,395,800 2,379,000 : +319,000: 2,698,000 :

10,677,150

1,421,640

1,090,980

3,928,300

1,404,000

12,276,000

1,431,949

1,175,130

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176,637,383

14,650,020 :

Minor Crop Pest Mgmt, IR-4:
Pest Management Alternatives:

Act of 1984:

Aquaculture Centers, Section 1475:

Emergency Supplemental Avian Influenza:

Sustainable Agriculture:

1994 Research Program:

Section 1473D:

National Research Initiative (NRI):

Carryover....::

Restoration, NM, TX, MT:

Carryover.....

Supplemental and Alternative Crops,

Joe Skeen Institute for Rangeland

Critical Agricultural Materials

Total Improved Pest Control:

11,368,000 :

1,412,000

15,313,000 :

1,083,000 :

3,928,000

14,399,000 :

1,533,000

112,454 :

819,000 :

983,000 :

190,883,000

104,553,705

-988,000:

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-457,000 :

-1,083,000 :

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-5,261,000 :

-466,000 :

-819,000 :

-983,000 :

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-104,553,705:

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Funding for Pay Cost:	4,961,000	: :	4,218,000	:	: +755,000:	4,973,000	:
Partial Funding for Office of :		: :		:	:		:
Extramural Programs:	419,000	: :	440,000	:	: +3,000:	443,000	;
Partial Funding for Peer Panels:	307,000	: :	397,000	:	: +33,000:	430,000	:
Compliance with P.L. 106-107 and :	•	: :		:	: :		:
Govt Paperwork Elimination Act:	2,457,349	: :	2,136,000	:	: +15,000:	2,151,000	:
Other:		: :	32,259,000	:	: :		:
Total Federal Administration:	10,305,966	: :	42,154,000	:	: -31,434,000 :	10,720,000	;
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Higher Education:					•		
Graduate Fellowships Grants:	5,861,640	:	3,675,000		· +780,000 :	4,455,000	:
Institution Challenge Grants	5,423,000		5,385,000 :		: +1,310,000 :	6,695,000	
1890 Institution Capacity Building Grants . :	11,612,782		13,592,000 :		: -1,217,000 :	12,375,000	•
Multicultural Scholars	1,050,310		981,000 :		: +7,000 :	988,000	
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Hispanic Serving Institutions Education :	5,940,000		- 6,046,000 :	•	-458,000 :	5,588,000	•
Grants Program ::	5,940,000		- 0,040,000 ;		-458,000 :	5,588,000	
Tribal Colleges Education Equity Grants :	2 2 42 200	:	2 210 000		:	2 227 000	
Program	3,342,000 :		3,319,000 :		: -1,092,000 :	2,227,000 :	
Secondary/2-Year Post Secondary:	990,000 :	:	983,000 :	•	: +7,000 :	990,000 :	
Agrosecurity Education:	:	:	:		: +2,000,000 :	2,000,000	
Veterinary Medical Services Act:	850,000 :	:	869,000 :	:	-869,000 :	:	
Alaska Native-serving and Native-serving :	:	:	:	;	:	:	
Institutions:	3,217,500 :	:	3,196,000 :	:	-229,000 :	2,967,000 ;	
Resident Instruction Grants for Insular :	:	:	:		:	:	
Areas:	495,000 :	:	745,000 :		-250,000 :	495,000 :	
Total Higher Education Grants:	38,782,232 :	:	38,791,000 :		-11,000 :	38,780,000 :	
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Tribal College Endowment Fund: :	:	:	•	:	:	:	
Endowment Fund:	12,000,000 :	. :	11,880,000 :	:	:	11,880,000 :	
Interest Earned:	3,249,613 :	:	3,209,000 :	:	+491,000:	3,700,000 :	
Total Endowment Fund:	15,249,613 :	:	15,089,000 :	:	+491,000 :	15,580,000 :	
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Total Available or Estimate:	676,168,003 :	234 :	797,373,135 :	258 :	-246,516,135 :	550,857,000 :	244
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Justification of Increases and Decreases

Research and Education Activities

(1) A decrease of \$56,604,000 for the Hatch Act (\$195,812,000 available in 2008) as follows:

This request supports the goal of improving the quality of research through increasing funding for competitive, peer-reviewed grants. By increasing funding for multi-State programs to approximately 70 percent or \$98.3 million, from the current base of 25 percent, the Budget request will enhance cooperative programs, enhancing relationships among the 1862 Institutions, to help fund the highest quality research for priority research. In addition, a portion of funding will continue to be allocated to institutions by formula, as in prior years.

Funding will continue to support research at the SAES related to production, marketing, distribution, and utilization of crops and resources; enhancing nutrition, and improving rural living conditions. Hatch Act funds also can be used to support research in forest and natural resources; crop resources; animal resources; people, communities, and institutions; competition, trade, adjustment, price, and income policy; and food science and human nutrition.

The primary performance measure will be a review score of the portfolio to which the program contributes. CSREES has created portfolios or programs, each encompassing a set of continuing CSREES-funded activities broadly focused on a current and/or emerging issue of societal importance and which serves the foundation for agency planning and evaluation. These portfolios are subject to rigorous assessment by experts on an annual and periodic (5-year) basis to determine the extent to which they are making progress toward solving targeted national problems. A recently implemented assessment tool will be used to review the portfolio's relevance, quality, and performance, assigning a quantitative score to its performance. This score serves as the primary performance measure for CSREES-funded activities and is the most suitable measure of performance for this program.

(2) A decrease of \$5,328,000 for the McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Program (\$24,791,000 available in 2008) as follows:

In FY 2009, CSREES will direct a portion of the formula funds in the McIntire-Stennis to nationally, competitively awarded multi-State/multi-institutional projects. The competitive program component will capitalize on, and in some cases enhance, the existing capacity in the university system, and focus on national issues and needs that are relevant, compelling, and emerging, such as the U.S. Forest Service research portfolio, recommendations by the Forestry Research Advisory Council, and priorities expressed by other major stakeholder groups. This will ensure that we target research funds to the highest quality projects to meet critical national and regional needs.

The primary performance measure will be a review score of the portfolio to which the program contributes. CSREES has created portfolios or programs, each encompassing a set of continuing CSREES-funded activities broadly focused on a current and/or emerging issue of societal importance and which serves the foundation for agency planning and evaluation. These portfolios are subject to rigorous assessment by experts on an annual and periodic (5-year) basis to determine the extent to which they are making progress toward solving targeted national problems. A recently implemented assessment tool will be used to review the portfolio's relevance, quality, and performance, assigning a quantitative score to its performance. This score serves as the primary performance measure for CSREES-funded activities and is the most suitable measure of performance for this program.

(3) A decrease of \$2,720,000 for the Evans-Allen Program (\$41,051,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The proposed action restores the program to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at this level will continue to provide support for program activities.

(4) A decrease of \$4,971,000 to eliminate funding for the Animal Health and Disease, Section 1433 Research Program (\$4,971,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The elimination of this program is part of the process to shift formula funding to competitively-awarded grants. Alternative funding from the National Research Initiative could be used to support aspects of this program.

- (5) A net decrease of \$88,974,000 for Other Special Research Grants (\$107,088,000 available in 2008) as follows:
 - a. A decrease of \$90,164,000 for Special Research Grants for earmarked projects (\$90,164,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The Administration strongly believes that peer-reviewed competitive programs that meet national needs are a more effective use of taxpayer dollars than earmarks that are provided to specific recipients. The FY 2009 budget proposes to eliminate these targeted earmarks. Within necessary budget constraints, it is critical that taxpayer dollars be used for the highest quality projects, those that are awarded based on competitive, peer-reviewed process to meet national priorities, rather than through earmarks.

Therefore, some broad aspects of many research topics currently addressed by earmarked projects will be included in the scope of the National Research Initiative program in FY 2009. Other topics will be addressed under other broader based, competitively-awarded Federal programs such as the proposed Regional, State, and Local Grants Program or programs supported with non-Federal funds administered by State-level scientific program managers.

b. An increase of \$1,190,000 for Special Research (\$16,924,000 available in 2008) as follows:

	Increase or			
	FY 2008	Decrease	FY 2009	
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	
Expert IPM Decision Support System	\$154	\$21	\$175	
Global Change, UV-B Monitoring	1,611	814	2,425	
Integrated Pest Management and				
Biological Control	2,379	319	2,698	
Minor Crop Pest Management (IR-4)	11,368	-988	10,380	
Minor Use Animal Drugs	0	582	582	
National Biological Impact Assessment				
Program	0	251	251	
Pest Management Alternatives	1,412	<u> 191</u>	1,603	
Total	\$16,924	\$1,190	\$18,114	

The proposed action restores individual programs to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at these levels will continue to provide support for these activities. Grants will be peer reviewed and awarded competitively.

(6) A decrease of \$1,083,000 to eliminate funding for Critical Agricultural Materials (\$1,083,000 available in 2008) as follows:

This action is consistent with the Administration's belief that a more effective use of taxpayer dollars is achieved through competitively-awarded grants that meet national goals. Alternative funding from other programs such as the National Research Initiative, State and local governments, and private sources could be used to support aspects of this program deemed to be of priority at State and/or local levels.

(7) A decrease of \$5,699,000 for Other Research Programs (\$19,860,000 available in 2008) as follows:

	Increase or			
	FY 2008	Decrease	FY 2009	
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	
Aquaculture Centers	\$3,928	\$28	\$3,956	
Sustainable Agriculture Program	14,399	-5,261	9,138	
1994 Research	<u>1,533</u>	<u>-466</u>	1,067	
Total	\$19,860	-\$5,699	\$14,161	

The proposed action restores individual programs to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at these levels will continue to provide support for these activities.

(8) A decrease of \$819,000 to eliminate funding for Supplemental and Alternative Crops (\$819,000 available in 2008) as follows:

This action is consistent with the Administration's belief that a more effective use of taxpayer dollars is achieved through competitively-awarded grants that meet national goals. Alternative funding from other programs such as the National Research Initiative, State and local governments, and private sources could be used to support aspects of this program deemed to be of priority at State and/or local levels.

(9) A decrease of \$983,000 to eliminate funding for the Joe Skeen Institute for Rangeland Restoration (\$983,000 available in 2008) as follows:

This action is consistent with the Administration's belief that a more effective use of taxpayer dollars is achieved through competitively-awarded grants that meet national goals. Alternative funding from other programs such as the National Research Initiative, State and local governments, and private sources could be used to support aspects of this program deemed to be of priority at State and/or local levels.

(10) A total increase of \$65,617,000 for the National Research Initiative (NRI) (\$190,883,000 available in 2008) as follows:

BIOENERGY AND BIOBASED FUELS FROM AGRICULTURE: An increase of \$19,170,000 is proposed for FY 2009. Currently, 60 percent of the petroleum used in the U.S. is imported primarily from countries in unstable parts of the world. Renewable fuels such as biodiesel and ethanol offer a domestic and sustainable alternative with significant economic, environmental, national security, and societal benefits. Transitioning agriculture from traditional food and feed production to bioenergy feedstock production is an extremely complex endeavor that will require an understanding of plant biology and chemistry, microbiology, environmental science, engineering, economics and rural sociology. Physical, biological and social scientists engaged in agricultural research will need to be brought together in an interdisciplinary manner to create knowledge and technologies to meet the goal of energy independence.

The NRI supports research as well as extension and education that address key problems of national, regional, and multi-State importance in sustaining all components of agriculture (farming, ranching, forestry, aquaculture, rural communities, human nutrition, processing, and more). The requested funds will support interdisciplinary projects at \$1-3 million per year for three years. The portfolio of projects will reflect a diversity of potential agricultural feedstocks and geographic regions. The interdisciplinary projects supported will include genomics and genetics, basic and applied plant sciences, novel methods of biological and chemical conversion of biomass, social and economic impacts on rural communities, as well as education and extension/outreach. The program will result in:

- The development of new and sustainable agricultural feedstocks;
- More efficient and cost-effective biocatalysts for conversion of agricultural biomass;
- Improved understanding of the potential impact of biofuel production on agricultural ecosystems, including soil fertility;
- Determination of the impact of a renewable fuels industry on the economic and social dynamics of rural communities; and
- A reduction in the overall cost of converting agricultural feedstocks to biofuels through the development of valuable co-products from the bioenergy process.

Long term impacts of the program include the development of a viable bioenergy industry that can become a major source of domestic energy resulting in: a) increased production of renewable fuels from agricultural and forestry biomass resulting in a reduction in U.S. dependence on foreign oil, b) improved economies in rural communities, c) enhanced national security, d) improved environmental quality, and e) expanded markets for U.S. agriculture products.

The requested funding will be leveraged by coordinating efforts in bioenergy through participation in key interagency committees and collaborations. Current collaborations include a memorandum of understanding with the Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Biological and Environmental Research to share resources and to coordinate the study of plant and microbial genomics. Additional DOE collaborations include the Joint USDA-DOE Feedstock Genomics for Bioenergy program. Examples of other interagency collaborative activities include the Interagency Metabolic Engineering Working Group (DOE, National Science Foundation (NSF), National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Environmental Protection Agency, National Institutes of Health and others), Maize and Rice Genome Projects (NSF, DOE), and the Microbial Genome Sequencing Program (NSF).

DISASTER RESILIENCE IN RURAL AND AGRICULTURALLY-BASED COMMUNITIES: An increase of \$2,200,000 is proposed for FY 2009. Disasters from natural and human-caused events may have a profound impact on vulnerable rural and agricultural communities leading to loss of life, reduction in food security, and disruption of vital communication networks.

The requested funds will be used to conduct research to identify factors that contribute to enhancing the resiliency of rural communities and families impacted by disaster, including studies on: effects of communication networks, economic structure, governance, and family systems on the survival and the speed of recovery from disasters; economic and social consequences of alternative disaster recovery approaches; identification of cost-effective communication methods to successfully alert and evacuate people; and preparation of vulnerable communities for emergency response and disaster recovery.

The program will be coordinated with the Federal inter-agency workgroup on Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences. The focus of the program will be on rural and agriculturally-based communities. The program will result in increased preparedness and a measurable reduction in damage and economic losses from disaster events.

LONG TERM INTEGRATED PROJECT IN AGROECOSYSTEMS: An increase of \$1,000,000 is proposed for FY 2009. Long term ecological research is critical to understanding the function and optimization of processes in managed, agricultural ecosystems ("agroecosystems"). Agroecosystems include farmland, rangeland and managed forests, as well as nearby rural communities. The ability to study, design, manage, and optimize agroecosystems requires long-term, interdisciplinary research on biological and geochemical processes, energy transformations, and socioeconomic factors using a systems approach. The supported Long Term Integrated Project in Agroecosystems (LTIPA) will examine agriculture as part of an interactive system that provides food security, economic viability, ecological goods and services, resource conservation, as well as increased production.

By supporting long term, systems-level analysis, the LTIPA will identify strategies to increase the economic success and environmental sustainability of agriculture. The LTIPA will support site-based research where teams of scientists will conduct interdisciplinary, long-term and large spatial scale research on agroecosystems. The LTIPA would be coordinated with the ongoing National Science Foundation (NSF) Long Term Ecosystem Research (LTER) program site network to allow cross-site comparisons and to leverage existing database infrastructure. The NSF LTER program has, to date, primarily focused on natural ecosystems rather than managed agricultural ecosystems. With 50 percent of the land in the U.S. categorized as agricultural, there is a clear need for long term research in agroecosystems. A scientific workshop was held in August, 2006 to discuss priority areas for long term agricultural research, such as invasive species, nitrogen management, and water security.

The results of the LTIPA program will lead to improved production processes, wise stewardship of natural resources, enhanced food and agricultural security, and improved viability and sustainability of farms and rural communities.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES: A net increase of \$43,247,000 will support ongoing research and integrated research and education projects that focus on water quality, food safety, organic transition and pest management (which includes the pest related programs and methyl bromide), programs formerly funded under the Integrated Activities account (\$41,990,000 transferred from the Integrated Activities account). The administration of these programs under the NRI is a means to streamline the CSREES budget portfolio. Since FY 2003, CSREES was authorized to use a percentage of the NRI funds for integrated research, education, and extension activities. In FY 2009, CSREES proposes a change in the general provisions that will increase the amount provided for the NRI that may be used for competitive integrated activities from a maximum of 26 percent to a maximum of 30 percent.

In FY 2009, CSREES proposes an increase of \$2,097,000 for the National Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Initiative. The IPM Initiative consolidates four existing programs into a single comprehensive competitive grants program. The four existing programs that will be consolidated into the National IPM Initiative are Regional Pest Management Centers, Crops at Risk from FQPA Implementation, FQPA Risk Mitigation Program for Major Food Crop Systems, and Methyl Bromide Transition Program. The consolidation of the four existing programs will allow greater flexibility, increased program coordination, and enhanced responsiveness to critical agricultural issues. The consolidation will also eliminate confusion among program applicants and stakeholders over the objectives in the four existing programs.

The funds requested for the National IPM Initiative (NIPMI) will be used to broaden the program beyond food cropping systems to include forest, urban (ornamentals and turf) and livestock pest management and production issues related to ecosystem management. The expansion of the program's scope will bring it into alignment with USDA's "National Roadmap for Integrated Pest Management" (www.ipmcenters.org/Docs/IPMRoadMap.pdf), which established the strategic directions for IPM research, implementation, and measurement.

NIPMI will support research, extension and education projects that address immediate needs facing pest managers, long-term needs for diversified IPM systems, and the need for the coordination of efforts across states and organizations. The requested funds will support these three areas as follows:

<u>IPM Tactics</u>. Some of the nation's most pressing pest management problems are caused when a critical tactic in a management program is no longer available due to development of pest resistance, regulatory action or marketing decisions of manufacturers. The loss of a key management tactic can have devastating impacts on productivity, product quality and profitability. Examples include the impending loss of methyl bromide or the loss of effectiveness of atrazine due to the development of resistance in weed populations. NIPMI will support research and extension projects to address immediate needs that result from the loss of a tactic that is critical to agricultural, natural resource or urban pest management systems. (This program area addresses needs formerly addressed by the Crops at Risk from FQPA Implementation and Methyl Bromide Transition programs.)

<u>Diversified IPM Systems</u>. The development of diversified IPM systems is the long-term sustainable solution to many pest management problems. NIPMI will support long-term projects focused on the development and implementation of innovative IPM systems on an area or landscape basis. The outcomes associated with IPM systems projects will be reduced reliance on single pest management tactics, the reduction of potential risks to human health and the environment caused by pests or the use of pest management practices, and increased economic benefits of adopting IPM practices. IPM systems projects will typically be multi-state or regional in scale and will involve multiple managed ecosystems with emphasis on enhanced stability and sustainability of IPM systems. (This program area addresses needs formerly addressed by the FOPA Risk Mitigation Program for Major Food Crop Systems program.)

Regional IPM Centers. Four regionally-based IPM centers will be supported to provide a focal point for team building efforts, communication networks, and enhanced stakeholder participation within each of the four CSREES regions (North Central, Northeastern, Southern, Western). The IPM centers will partner with other organizations (such as the National Invasive Species Council, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Plant Diagnostic Network) and stakeholders to respond to pest management challenges with coordinated region-wide and national IPM research and extension programs and serve as a catalyst for promoting the development and use of IPM approaches. The IPM centers will promote science-based decisions by developing and organizing pest management data and information and making them available to pest managers, regulatory agencies and policy makers through a national information system.

Funds will be used to create an integrated priority within the National Integrated Water Program (NIWP) (formerly Water Quality) that addresses water reuse, conservation, and wastewater reuse for agricultural, rural, and urbanizing watersheds. Water reuse is a rapidly evolving watermanagement tool for supplementing limited water resources around the globe. Research and education/outreach are important to foster the development of economical and sustainable solutions that will help protect public health and the environment. Research is needed into new and emerging treatment and reuse technologies, such as membrane bioreactors. Further research needs to be done on the socioeconomic impacts of reuse projects – considering the tangible and intangible economic return to offset the elevated capital and operating costs. Education and outreach efforts also will be critical for public acceptance of this technology and the potential risk posed by water reuse in agriculture. An increase of \$927,000 for NIWP is proposed in FY 2009.

CSREES and the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) work collaboratively to ensure America's food supply is safe and wholesome. The two agencies have a history of partnering to provide the public with access to resources, information, training, and education designed to meet public health needs. In FY 2009, CSREES requests an increase of \$103,000 for the National Integrated Food Safety Initiative for continued support of food safety issues.

An increase of \$13,000 for activities under the Organic Transition Program

A decrease of \$1,883,000 is proposed for other ongoing programs under the NRI.

The budget also proposes a change in the general provisions of the FY 2008 Consolidated Appropriation to increase from up to 26 percent to up to 30 percent the amount provided through the NRI that may be used for competitive integrated activities. This shift should allow for more flexibility and responsiveness to critical and emerging issues in the food and agricultural sciences.

Under the NRI, the primary performance measure will be a review score of the portfolio to which the program contributes. CSREES has created portfolios or programs, each encompassing a set of continuing CSREES-funded activities broadly focused on a current and/or emerging issue of societal importance and which serves the foundation for agency planning and evaluation. These portfolios are subject to rigorous assessment by experts on an annual and periodic (5-year) basis to determine the extent to which they are making progress toward solving targeted national problems. A recently implemented assessment tool will be used to review the portfolio's relevance, quality, and performance, assigning a quantitative score to its performance. This score serves as the primary performance measure for CSREES-funded activities and is the most suitable measure of performance for this program.

- (11) A net decrease of \$31,434,000 for Federal Administration (\$42,154,000 available in 2008) as follows:
 - a. An increase of \$755,000 to fund pay costs (\$4,218,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The CSREES budget consists of numerous programs that award thousands of individual grants to colleges and universities and other eligible recipients. These programs are managed at the national level by a staff of about 380 full time employees at the end of FY 2007 and with a number of temporary and intermittent employees. Grants management includes developing program regulations, establishing broad program goals, reviewing proposals, preparing grant documentation, post-award review of progress, and similar activities necessary to achieve program goals. Between 3 and 4 percent of funds provided for programs may be used to support administration of the programs as established by law. These operating activities are also supported by the direct Federal Administration funds provided in annual appropriations to pay for increased pay costs. Without these funds, the agency will be unable to maintain staffing levels needed to ensure high quality grants management of the Department's main extramural research and education programs supporting the food and agriculture system.

b. An increase of \$33,000 to fund some of the peer panel costs (\$397,000 available in 2008) as follows:

For the increased costs in panel operating costs due to rising travel costs for panelists participating in the peer-review of proposals for competitive grant awards.

c. A decrease of \$32,259,000 to eliminate earmarked projects (\$32,259,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The Administration strongly believes that peer-reviewed competitive programs that meet national needs are a more effective use of taxpayer dollars than earmarks that are provided to a specific recipient. The FY 2009 budget proposes to eliminate these targeted earmarks.

Some aspects of many research topics currently addressed by earmarked projects are addressed under broader based, competitively-awarded Federal programs supported with non-Federal funds administered by State-level scientific program managers.

d. An increase of \$37,000 for other Federal Administration activities (\$5,280,000 available in 2008) as follows:

	Increase or					
	FY 2008	Decrease	FY 2009			
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)			
Office of Extramural Programs	\$440	\$3	\$443			
Research, Education, and Economics						
Information System	2,704	19	2,723			
Electronic Grants Administration	<u>2,136</u>	<u>15</u>	2,151			
Total	\$5,280	\$37	\$5,317			

The proposed action restores individual programs to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at these levels will continue to provide support for these activities.

- (12) A net increase of \$480,000 for Higher Education programs including the Native American Institutions Endowment Fund Interest (\$42,000,000 available in 2008) as follows:
 - a. An increase of \$1,310,000 for Institution Challenge Grants (\$5,385,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The recent emergence of a bioeconomy is being compared to the green revolution of the 1960's. The potential impact of biofuels and other bio-based products carries both hope and significant challenges for our future. If we are to be successful in entering this new age, our nation's universities must assert leadership in the formation of effective curricula.

The requested increase will establish a Biobased Products and Bioenergy Academic Center of Excellence. This center will create and deliver multidisciplinary undergraduate and graduate-level education, research and extension programs and curricula to serve the emerging bioenergy sector. The existing Institution Challenge Grants Program is designated to implement this effort because it features an existing competitive granting process that fosters innovative improvements to curriculum development and instructional delivery systems. By their nature, challenge grants encourage interdisciplinary approaches to academic instruction and require matching funds that effectively double the impact of Federal funding. The use of challenge grants will also ensure that students from underrepresented and at-risk populations have access to this program.

We envision that this center will reduce duplication among competing institutions and will focus the best biological, managerial and social sciences resources to create innovative solutions to complex educational and workforce issues. The center will promote one or more multidisciplinary themes relevant to the national bio-economy, and will involve a diverse group of faculty and other associates with appropriate expertise in research, education, and extension. Students will gain occupational competencies by focusing on problem-oriented education and research through internships and mentoring within research, extension, industry, national laboratory, or other settings.

In fiscal year 2009, CSREES will competitively award approximately \$1,310,000 to a university-led consortium. The successful consortium will comprise at least two academic institutions augmented by appropriate professional organizations, industries

and State and Federal agencies. To ensure a multidisciplinary approach, at least two academic departments from each participating institution will contribute to the center. The center will integrate scientific, technical, business, social, and ethical issues associated with the emergence of bioenergy systems to create undergraduate curricula that can be adopted by other universities. By focusing on the education of the next generation of scientists and educators, we will ensure that America remains a leader, not a follower, in the new bio-economy.

The primary performance measure will be a review score of the portfolio to which the program contributes. CSREES has created portfolios or programs, each encompassing a set of continuing CSREES-funded activities broadly focused on a current and/or emerging issue of societal importance and which serves the foundation for agency planning and evaluation. These portfolios are subject to rigorous assessment by experts on an annual and periodic (5-year) basis to determine the extent to which they are making progress toward solving targeted national problems. A recently implemented assessment tool will be used to review the portfolio's relevance, quality, and performance, assigning a quantitative score to its performance. This score serves as the primary performance measure for CSREES-funded activities and is the most suitable measure of performance for this program.

b. An increase of \$2,000,000 for the Higher Education Agrosecurity Program (no funds available in FY 2008) as follows:

In response to the need to safeguard the United States agricultural system from accidental and intentional threats, the Higher Education Agrosecurity Program will be established to provide educational and professional development for personnel responsible for securing the Nation's agriculture and food supply. Authorized by Section 1484 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 and in support of the President's Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative, the program will competitively award grants that focus on educational activities that address biosecurity issues. In particular, the program will develop and promote curricula for higher education programs that support the protection of animals, plants, and public health. In addition, funds will be used to support graduate and baccalaureate degree training fellowships. The program also is designed to provide competitive capacity building grants to universities and other eligible institutions for interdisciplinary degree programs that combine training in food sciences, agriculture sciences, medicine, veterinary medicine, epidemiology, microbiology, chemistry, engineering, and mathematics (statistical modeling) to prepare food system defense professionals.

The primary performance measure will be a review score of the portfolio to which the program contributes. CSREES has created portfolios or programs, each encompassing a set of continuing CSREES-funded activities broadly focused on a current and/or emerging issue of societal importance and which serves the foundation for agency planning and evaluation. These portfolios are subject to rigorous assessment by experts on an annual and periodic (5-year) basis to determine the extent to which they are making progress toward solving targeted national problems. A recently implemented assessment tool will be used to review the portfolio's relevance, quality, and performance, assigning a quantitative score to its performance. This score serves as the primary performance measure for CSREES-funded activities and is the most suitable measure of performance for this program.

c. A decrease of \$869,000 to eliminate funding for the Veterinary Medical Services Act (\$869,000 available in 2008) as follows:

This action is consistent with the Administration's belief that a more effective use of taxpayer dollars is achieved through competitively-awarded grants that meet National goals. Alternative funding from other programs, State and local governments, and private sources could be used to support aspects of this program deemed to be of priority at State and/or local levels.

d. <u>A decrease of \$1,961,000 for other Higher Education programs including the Native American Endowment Fund Interest (\$35,746,000 available in 2008) as follows:</u>

		Increase or	
	FY 2008	Decrease	FY 2009
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
Graduate Fellowship Grants	\$3,675	\$780	\$4,455
1890 Institution Capacity Building Grants	13,592	-1,217	12,375
Multicultural Scholars	981	7	988
Hispanic Education Partnership Grants	6,046	-458	5,588
Tribal Colleges Education Equity			
Grants Program	3,319	-1,092	2,227
Interest (Estimated) Earned on Tribal			
Colleges Endowment Fund	3,209	491	3,700
Secondary /2-Year Post Secondary	983	7	990
Alaska Native-Serving and Native			
Hawaiian Serving Institutions	3,196	-229	2,967
Resident Instruction for Insular Areas	745	250	495
Total	\$35,746	-\$1,961	\$33,785

The proposed action restores individual programs to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at these levels will continue to provide support for these activities. The interest increase for the Native American Endowment fund is an estimate of anticipated earnings from Treasury bond investments.

SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH PROGRAM

The Small Business Innovation Development Act (SBIR), Public Law 97-219, July 22, 1982, as amended by Public Law 99-443, October 6, 1986, was designed to strengthen the role of small, innovative firms in Federally funded research and development. Under this program, small firms receive at least a fixed minimum percentage of research and development awards made by Federal agencies with sizable research and development budgets. The Small Business Research and Development Enhancement Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-564, October 28, 1991) as amended mandates that 2.5 percent of all extramural research and development funds within the Department are set-aside and used to fund the SBIR program.

Agency	FY 2007 <u>Actual</u>	FY 2008 <u>Estimate</u>	FY 2009 Estimate	
Agricultural Research Service Animal and Plant Health Inspection	\$ 1,890,000	\$ 1,895,000	\$ 983,600	
Service	49,672	20,931	40,600	
Cooperative State Research, Education,				
and Extension Service	15,599,447	15,468,795	12,151,261	
Economic Research Service	158,675	205,000	205,000	
Forest Service	737,327	741,218	741,225	
National Agricultural Statistics Service	6,000	6,950	0	
Rural Development	350,000	350,000	0	
FAS/International Cooperative				
Development	9,375	9,375	9,375	
Total	\$18,800,496	\$18,697,269	\$14,131,061	

The staff functions of USDA's SBIR program (solicitation, review and evaluation of proposals) have been centralized in CSREES in order to serve the SBIR community most effectively and efficiently. Eleven research topic areas have been established:

- 1. <u>Forests and Related Resources</u>. Research proposals are solicited to develop environmentally sound techniques to increase productivity of forest land and to increase the utilization of materials and resources from forest lands.
- 2. <u>Plant Production and Protection</u>. Research proposals are solicited to examine means of enhancing crop production by reducing the impact of destructive agents, developing effective crop systems that are economically and environmentally sound, enhancing the impact of new methods of plant manipulation, and developing new crop plants and new uses for existing crops.
- 3. <u>Animal Production and Protection</u>. Research proposals are solicited to find ways to enable producers of food animals to increase production efficiency and to assure a reliable and safe supply of animal protein and other animal products while conserving resources and reducing production costs.
- 4. <u>Soil and Water and Resourcess</u>. Research proposals are solicited to develop technologies for conserving air, water and soil resources while sustaining agricultural productivity.

- 5. <u>Food Science and Nutrition</u>. Research proposals are solicited to develop new knowledge and a better understanding of the characteristics of foods and their nutritional impact; to apply new knowledge to improve our foods and diets; and to apply new knowledge to the production of useful new food products, processes, materials, and systems, including the application of nutritional information to consumer foods and food service systems.
- 6. <u>Rural and Community Development</u>. Research proposals are solicited to develop knowledge and technology that will promote, foster, or improve the well-being of rural Americans.
- 7. Aquaculture. Research proposals are solicited to enhance the knowledge and technology base necessary for the continued growth of the domestic aquaculture industry as a form of production agriculture. Emphasis is placed on research leading to improved production efficiency and increased competitiveness of private sector aquaculture in the United States.
- 8. <u>Industrial Applications</u>. Research proposals are solicited to develop new or improved technologies that will lead to increased production of industrial products from agricultural materials.
- 9. <u>Marketing and Trade</u>. Research proposals are solicited to develop innovative marketing strategies to increase sales of agricultural, forestry, and agricultural products both in the United States and abroad.
- 10. <u>Animal Waste Management</u>. Research proposals are solicited to develop environmentally responsible and cost-effective technology for handling and processing animal waste and creating value-added products.
- 11. <u>Small and Mid-Size Farms</u>. Research proposals are solicited that will promote and improve the sustainability and profitability of small and mid-sized farms and ranches.

TABLE 1 - FISCAL YEAR 2007
DISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL PAYMENTS FOR RESEARCH AT STATE AGRIC EXPERIMENT STATIONS & OTHER STATE INSTITUTIONS

	HATCH ACT AS AM	MENDED									
STATE	HATCH FORMULA	REGIONAL RESEARCH	TOTAL	COOP FORESTRY RSH (MS)	1890 UNIV & TUSK <u>UNIV (EA)</u>	ANIMAL HEALTH & DIS RSCH	SPECIAL AND OTHER <u>GRANTS</u>	COMPETITIVE RESEARCH GRANTS	HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS	BIOTECH RISK <u>ASSESS</u>	TOTAL FEDERAL <u>FUNDS</u>
ALABAMA	5,276,786	1,600,330	6,877,116	1,000,838	4,174,890	105,565	0	1,672,450	1,109,053	0	14,939,912
ALASKA	1,435,715	270,188	1,705,903	719,160	0	2,276	0	1,363,982	1,443,114	0	5,234,435
AMERICAN SAMOA	1,180,589	41,017	1,221,606	24,355	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,245,961
ARIZONA	2,069,412	1,428,611	3,498,023	531,375	0	48,143	605,213	2,864,680	1,200,038	0	8,747,472
ARKANSAS	4,409,203	1,367,481	5,776,684	831,832	1,822,123	105,586	0	1,464,507	445,072	0	10,445,804
CALIFORNIA	6,389,889	2,884,238	9,274,127	888,167	0	551,987	2,883,626	15,654,240	2,266,775	0	31,518,922
COLORADO	2,966,968	1,849,458	4,816,426	456,261	0	288,649	17,352	2,866,514	463,000	388,221	9,296,423
CONNECTICUT	2,049,506	930,498	2,980,004	249,697	0	20,522	89,200	993,705	0	399,940	4,733,068
DELAWARE	1,510,717	696,054	2,206,771	99,469	1,083,552	18,338	0	2,105,197	1,074,480	0	6,587,807
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	1,039,759	200,955	1,240,714	0	0	0	0	311,509	0	0	1,552,223
FLORIDA	4,155,850	1,240,375	5,396,225	775,496	1,635,859	79,262	1,720,000	3,794,141	1,415,859	0	14,816,842
GEORGIA	5,989,513	2,133,632	8,123,145	1,019,618	2,402,808	129,076	2,904,704	3,889,428	1,519,343	0	19,988,122
GUAM	1,247,692	231,347	1,479,039	43,133	0	0	0	0	466,932	0	1,989,104
HAWAII	1,477,797	724,437	2,202,234	193,361	0	5,079	735,377	112,000	1,633,577	0	4,881,628
IDAHO	2,644,666	1,126,341	3,771,007	587,711	0	62,714	257,384	515,722	48,540	192,908	5,435,986
ILLINOIS	7,192,002	1,984,746	9,176,748	418,704	0	137,354	193,216	10,136,866	48,350	0	20,111,238
INDIANA	6,991,831	1,612,063	8,603,894	475,039	0	60,068	93,990	3,242,744	598,665	0	13,074,400
IOWA	7,342,168	2,773,579	10,115,747	362,368	0	191,359	33,518	4,792,583	851,688	0	16,347,263
KANSAS	4,510,779	1,482,087	5,992,866	268,476	0	142,766	645,789	5,004,065	576,140	0	12,630,102
KENTUCKY	7,044,923	1,602,520	8,647,443	606,489	2,842,438	73,261	0	2,108,347	907,983	0	15,185,961
LOUISIANA	3,928,355	1,290,776	5,219,131	850,610	1,641,607	68,112	83,425	745,732	399,919	0	9,008,536
MAINE	2,322,271	969,817	3,292,088	794,274	0	10,678	59,911	48,000	192,000	0	4,396,951
MARYLAND	2,926,660	1,220,276	4,146,936	306,032	1,230,694	31,011	1,474,083	8,414,494	991,682	0	16,594,932
MASSACHUSETTS	2,379,621	1,191,154	3,570,775	324,811	0	42,661	0	1,610,549	435,000	0	5,983,796
MICHIGAN	7,063,699	1,747,416	8,811,115	869,388	0	102,479	2,396,659	4,244,189	824,931	0	17,248,761
MICRONESIA	1,299,774	0	1,299,774	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,299,774
MINNESOTA	6,989,732	1,691,597	8,681,329	681,603	0	164,456	2,879,102	8,150,731	898,406	0	21,455,627
MISSISSIPPI	4,929,095	1,577,860	6,506,955	963,281	2,047,786	89,819	1,292,456	2,411,465	926,056	0	14,237,818
MISSOURI	6,941,728	1,511,190	8,452,918	625,267	2,765,251	161,578	0	4,511,135	647,463	0	17,163,612
MONTANA	2,568,136	1,261,431	3,829,567	550,153	0	60,259	459,372	1,454,567	1,925,286	0	8,279,204
NEBRASKA	4,174,964	1,714,878	5,889,842	306,032	0	157,489	143,041	2,473,806	507,451	0	9,477,661
NEVADA	1,435,514	690,666	2,126,180	155,805	0	10,552	0	726,500	0	0	3,019,037
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1,858,464	697,506	2,555,970	437,482	0	6,795	0	1,417,052	0	0	4,417,299
NEW JERSEY	2,389,283	1,890,763	4,280,046	230,918	0	14,672	2,923,287	1,564,118	153,000	0	9,166,041
NEW MEXICO	2,098,597	759,900	2,858,497	399,925	0	34,105	201,570	1,116,477	882,639	0	5,493,213
NEW YORK	6,390,949	2,747,187	9,138,136	794,274	0	172,224	1,660,223	5,577,103	700,372	0	18,042,332
NORTH CAROLINA	8,386,513	2,237,498	10,624,011	982,059	3,364,044	187,198	264,680	6,645,716	1,514,589	0	23,582,297
NORTH DAKOTA	2,870,836	1,138,724	4,009,560	137,025	0	35,010	929,737	477,650	1,191,965	0	6,780,947
NORTHERN MARIANAS	1,176,423	0	1,176,423	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,176,423
ОНІО	8,526,051	1,833,212	10,359,263	493,818	0	60,553	0	5,393,556	383,963	0	16,691,153
OKLAHOMA	4,516,183	1,122,036	5,638,219	512,596	1,798,211	135,447	171,932	2,676,177	1,493,088	0	12,425,670
OREGON	3,495,962	1,786,608	5,282,570	944,503	0	68,802	139,924	1,968,219	397,500	* 0	8,801,518
PENNSYLVANIA	7,819,562	2,334,269	10,153,831	662,825	0	171,541	95,094	7,716,872	279,500	34,880	19,114,543

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HATCH ACT AS AMENDED

	HATCH ACT AS AN	<u>1ENDED</u>									
STATE	HATCH FORMULA	REGIONAL RESEARCH	TOTAL	COOP FORESTRY RSH (MS)	1890 UNIV & TUSK UNIV (EA)	ANIMAL HEALTH & DIS RSCH	SPECIAL AND OTHER <u>GRANTS</u>	COMPETITIVE RESEARCH GRANTS	HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS	BIOTECH RISK ASSESS	TOTAL FEDERAL
PUERTO RICO	3,801,037	1,389,393	5,190,430	118,247	0	9,751	0				<u>FUNDS</u>
RHODE ISLAND	1,355,603	722,262	2,077,865	80,690	0	2,715	0	43,615	745,000	0	6,107,043
SOUTH CAROLINA	4,457,638	1,288,590	5,746,228	756,717	1,811,507	23,088	0	1,266,377	0	0	3,427,647
SOUTH DAKOTA	3,167,223	1,148,426	4,315,649	174,583	1,811,307	65,377	0	1,215,360	0	389,083	9,941,983
TENNESSEE	6,556,250	1,597,584	8,153,834	737,938	2,611,665		0	1,304,686	749,616	0	6,609,911
TEXAS	9,851,961	2,322,559	12,174,520	906,945	3,717,038	48,788	0	3,362,192	835,190	280,368	16,029,975
UTAH	1,802,497	1,341,959	3,144,456	343,590	3,717,038	331,305	636,750	8,207,600	2,800,619	0	28,774,777
VERMONT	1,911,914	611,596	2,523,510	381,146	-	30,990	2,635,858	991,717	0	0	7,146,611
VIRGIN ISLANDS	1,208,943	223,530	1,432,473	61,911	0	8,721	2,635,858	1,524,748	276,000	0	7,349,983
VIRGINIA	5,584,696	1,461,713	7,046,409	813,052	•	0	0	0	0	0	1,494,384
WASHINGTON	3,710,112	2,126,026	5,836,138		2,239,311	58,049	544,615	4,426,644	1,548,992	0	16,677,072
WEST VIRGINIA	3,339,531	1,016,408	4,355,939	925,724	0	125,955	1,138,634	4,548,437	229,320	0	12,804,208
WISCONSIN	7,022,806	1,720,125	8,742,931	568,931	1,177,351	9,143	50,000	959,441	959,380	0	8,080,185
WYOMING	1,721,580	1,006,444		700,382	0	99,708	143,798	5,457,202	1,460,731	0	16,604,752
OTHER	1,721,560	271,269	2,728,024	212,140	0	30,323	0	841,060	149,085	0	3,960,632
SBIR	5,880,485	1,948,383	271,269	0	44,255		27,590	1,580,027	212,880	. 0	2,136,021
REIMBURSABLE	0,000,405	1,546,565	7,828,868	727,694	986,490	120,154	855,706	2,067,247	148,500	0	12,734,659
		<u> </u>	0	0_	0	0	198,699	0	375,000	0	573,699
FEDERAL ADMIN	7,036,724	2,360,575	9,397,299	900,240	1,220,400	200,257	1,426,177	5,593,473	1,415,605	0	20,153,451
SUBTOTAL	241,823,137	80,151,563	321,974,700	29,984,160	40,617,280	4,971,770	35,647,550	175,626,614	42,719,337	1,685,400	653,226,811
UNOBLIGATED BALANCE	45,000	0	45,000	0	0	0	1,026,319	104,553,705	8,373,111	0	113,998,135
SUBTOTAL	241,868,137	80,151,563	322,019,700	29,984,160	40,617,280	4,971,770	36,673,869	280,180,319	51,092,448	1,685,400	767,224,946
TRIBAL ENDOW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,000,000	0	12,000,000
BIOTECH RISK ASSESSMENT	432,975	144,325	577,300	23,840	62,720	34,660	2,780	946,440	37,660	(1,685,400)	0
								7,10,110	57,000	(1,003,400)	
TOTAL	242,301,112	80,295,888	322,597,000	30,008,000	40,680,000	5,006,430	36,676,649	281,126,759	63,130,108	0	767,224,946

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<u>STATE</u>	<u>HATCH ACT</u>	COOP FORESTRY RSH (MS)	ANIMAL HEALTH	1890 UNIV & TUSK UNIV (EA)	SPECIAL RESEARCH GRANTS	COMPET RESEARCH GRANTS	HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS	FED ADMIN DIRECT <u>APPROP</u>	BIOTECH RISK ASSESS	TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS
ALABAMA	4,117,000	821,000	105,000	4,213,000	0	0	0	0	0	9,256,000
ALASKA	1,023,000	591,000	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,616,000
AMER SAMOA	748,000	40,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	788,000
ARIZONA	2,020,000	438,000	48,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,506,000
ARKANSAS	3,509,000	683,000	105,000	1,837,000	0	0	0	0	0	6,134,000
CALIFORNIA	5,459,000	730,000	548,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,737,000
COLORADO	2,760,000	377,000	286,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,423,000
CONNECTICUT	1,870,000	208,000	20,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,098,000
DELAWARE	1,334,000	86,000	18,000	1,089,000	0	0	Ō	0	0	2,527,000
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	718,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	718,000
FLORIDA	3,160,000	638,000	79,000	1,652,000	0	0	0	0	0	5,529,000
GEORGIA	5,006,000	837,000	128,000	2,424,000	0	0	0	0	0	8,395,000
GUAM	886,000	40,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	926,000
HAWAII	1,333,000	162,000	5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,500,000
IDAHO	2,191,000	484,000	62,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,737,000
ILLINOIS	5,704,000	346,000	136,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,186,000
INDIANA	5,150,000	392,000	60,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,602,000
IOWA	6,377,000	300,000	190,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,867,000
KANSAS	3,530,000	224,000	142,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,896,000
KENTUCKY	5,184,000	500,000	73,000	2,869,000	0	0	0	0	0	8,626,000
LOUISIANA	3,244,000	699,000	67,000	1,654,000	0	0	0	0	0	5,664,000
MAINE	1,907,000	653,000	11,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,571,000
MARYLAND	2,529,000	254,000	31,000	1,241,000	0	0	0	0	0	4,055,000
MASSACHUSETTS	2,258,000	270,000	42,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,570,000
MICHIGAN	5,263,000	714,000	102,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,079,000
MICRONESIA	773,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	773,000
MINNESOTA	5,128,000	561,000	163,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,852,000
MISSISSIPPI	4,103,000	791,000	89,000	2,063,000	0	0	0	0	0	7,046,000
MISSOURI	4,911,000	515,000	160,000	2,793,000	0	0	0	0	0	8,379,000
MONTANA	2,191,000	454,000	60,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,705,000
NEBRASKA	3,470,000	254,000	156,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,880,000
NEVADA	1,255,000	132,000	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,397,000
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1,497,000	362,000	7,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,866,000
NEW JERSEY	2,845,000	193,000	14,000	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	3,052,000
NEW MEXICO	1,676,000	331,000	34,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,041,000
NEW YORK	5,739,000	653,000	171,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,563,000
NORTH CAROLINA	6,622,000	806,000	186,000	3,391,000	0	0	0	0	0	11,005,000
NORTH DAKOTA	2,453,000	116,000	35,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,604,000
NORTHERN MARIANAS	714,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	714,000
ОНІО	6,107,000	408,000	60,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,575,000
OKLAHOMA	3,229,000	423,000	134,000	1,816,000	0	0	0	0	0	5,602,000
OREGON	2,985,000	775,000	68,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,828,000
PENNSYLVANIA	6,284,000	546,000	170,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,000,000
PUERTO RICO	3,981,000	101,000	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,092,000
RHODE ISLAND	1,267,000	70,000	3,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,340,000
S. CAROLINA	3,495,000	622,000	23,000	1,827,000	0	0	0	0	0	5,967,000
S. DAKOTA	2,546,000	147,000	65,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,758,000
TENNESSEE	4,921,000	607,000	48,000	2,635,000	0	0	0	0	0	8,211,000
TEXAS	6,787,000	745,000	329,000	3,758,000	0	0	0	0	0	11,619,000
UTAH	1,869,000	285,000	31,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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STATE	<u>HATCH ACT</u>	COOP FORESTRY RSH (MS)	ANIMAL HEALTH	1890 UNIV & TUSK UNIV (EA)	SPECIAL RESEARCH <u>GRANTS</u>	COMPET RESEARCH GRANTS	HIGHER EDUCATION <u>GRANTS</u>	FED ADMIN DIRECT <u>APPROP</u>	BIOTECH RISK <u>ASSESS</u>	TOTAL FEDERAL <u>FUNDS</u>
VERMONT	1,499,000	316,000	9,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,824,000
V. ISLANDS	864,000	55,000	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	919,000
VIRGINIA	4,261,000	668,000	58,000	2,259,000	0	0	0	0	0	7,246,000
WASHINGTON	3,668,000	760,000	125,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,553,000
W. VIRGINIA	2,716,000	469,000	9,000	1,188,000	0	0	0	0	0	4,382,000
WISCONSIN	5,250,000	576,000	98,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,924,000
WYOMING	1,599,000	178,000	30,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,807,000
OTHER	271,000	0	0	44,000	0	0	0	0	0	315,000
SBIR	4,754,000	601,000	119,000	995,000	3,118,000	4,581,000	163,000	774,000	0	15,105,000
PEER PANEL	0	0	0	0	26,000	2,000,000	213,000	0	0	2,239,000
REIMBURSABLE	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>o</u>	, <u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0	Q	2,239,000
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FEDERAL ADMIN	5,639,000	744,000	199,000	1,232,000	<u>5,193,000</u>	7,636,000	1,512,000	11,186,000	<u>0</u>	33,341,000
SUBTOTAL										
OBLIGATIONS	194,649,000	24,751,000	4,933,000	40,980,000	8,337,000	14,217,000	1,888,000	11,960,000	0	301,715,000
Undistributed	<u>o</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0	121,602,000	280,332,000	48,420,000	31,195,000	<u>0</u>	481,549,000
SUBTOTAL	194,649,000	24,751,000	4,933,000	40,980,000	129,939,000	294,549,000	50,308,000	43,155,000	0	783,264,000
TRIBAL ENDOW	0	0	0	o	0	0	11,880,000	0	0	11,880,000
BIOTECH RISK ASSESSMENT	1,163,000	40,000	38,000	71,000	6,000	<u>888.000</u>	23,000	0	0	2 220 000
					34334	200.000	23,000	<u>0</u>	<u>o</u>	2,229,000
TOTAL	195,812,000	24,791,000	4,971,000	41,051,000	129,945,000	295,437,000	62,211,000	43,155,000	0	797,373,000

TABLE 3 - FISCAL YEAR 2009
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STATE	НАТСН АСТ	COOP FORESTRY RSH (MS)	1890 UNIV & TUSK <u>UNIV (EA)</u>	SPECIAL RESEARCH <u>GRANTS</u>	COMPET RESEARCH <u>GRANTS</u>	HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS	FED ADMIN DIRECT APPROP	BIOTECH RISK <u>ASSESS</u>	TOTAL FEDERAL <u>FUNDS</u>
ALABAMA	881,000	216,000	3,931,000	0	0	0	0	. 0	5,028,000
ALASKA	240,000	155,000	0 0	0	0	0	0	, 0	395,000
AMER SAMOA	197,000	5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	202,000
ARIZONA	346,000	115,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	461,000
ARKANSAS	737,000	180,000	1,723,000	0	0	0	0	0	2,640,000
CALIFORNIA	1,067,000	192,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,259,000
COLORADO	496,000	99,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	595,000
CONNECTICUT	342,000	54,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	396,000
DELAWARE	252,000	22,000	1,051,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,325,000
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	174,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	174,000
FLORIDA	694,000	168,000	1,533,000	0	0	0	0	0	2,395,000
GEORGIA	1,001,000	220,000	2,264,000	0	0	0	0	0	3,485,000
GUAM	208,000	9,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	217,000
HAWAII	247,000	42,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	289,000
IDAHO	442,000	127,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	569,000
ILLINOIS	1,201,000	90,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,291,000
INDIANA	1,168,000	103,000	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	1,271,000
IOWA	1,226,000	78,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,304,000
KANSAS	753,000	58,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	811,000
KENTUCKY	1,177,000	131,000	2,670,000	0	0	0	0	0	3,978,000
LOUISIANA	656,000	184,000	1,560,000	0	0	0	0	0	2,400,000
MAINE	388,000	172,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	560,000
MARYLAND	489,000	- 66,000	1,167,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,722,000
MASSACHUSETTS	397,000	70,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	467,000
MICHIGAN	1,180,000	188,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,368,000
MICRONESIA	217,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	217,000
MINNESOTA	1,168,000	147,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,315,000
MISSISSIPPI	823,000	208,000	1,947,000	0	0	0	0	0	2,978,000
MISSOURI	1,160,000	135,000	2,586,000	0	0	0	0	0	3,881,000
MONTANA	429,000	119,000	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	548,000
NEBRASKA	697,000	66,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	763,000
NEVADA	240,000	34,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	274,000
NEW HAMPSHIRE	310,000	95,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	405,000
NEW JERSEY	399,000	50,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	449,000
NEW MEXICO	351,000	86,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	437,000
NEW YORK	1,068,000	172,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,240,000
NORTH CAROLINA	1,401,000	212,000	3,187,000	0	0	0	0	0	4,800,000
NORTH DAKOTA	480,000	30,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	510,000
NORTHERN MARIANAS	197,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	197,000
OHIO	1,424,000	107,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,531,000
OKLAHOMA	754,000	111,000	1,681,000	0	0	0	0	Ò	2,546,000
OREGON	584,000	204,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	788,000
PENNSYLVANIA	1,306,000	143,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,449,000
PUERTO RICO	635,000	26,000	0	0	. 0	0	0	0	661,000
RHODE ISLAND	226,000	17,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	243,000
S. CAROLINA	745,000	164,000	1,714,000	0	0	0	0	0	2,623,000
S. DAKOTA	529,000	38,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	567,000
TENNESSEE	1,095,000	159,000	2,459,000	0	0	0	0	0	3,713,000
TEXAS	1,646,000	196,000	3,449,000	0	0	0	0	0	5,291,000
UTAH	301,000	74,000	, , 0	0	0	0	0	0	375,000
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TABLE 3 - FISCAL YEAR 2009
DISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL PAYMENTS FOR RESEARCH AT STATE AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATIONS & OTHER STATE INSTITUTIONS

<u>STATE</u>	HATCH ACT	COOP FORESTRY RSH (MS)	1890 UNIV & TUSK UNIV (EA)	SPECIAL RESEARCH <u>GRANTS</u>	COMPET RESEARCH <u>GRANTS</u>	HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS	FED ADMIN DIRECT APPROP	BIOTECH RISK <u>ASSESS</u>	TOTAL FEDERAL <u>FUNDS</u>
VERMONT	319,000	82,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	401,000
V. ISLANDS	202,000	13,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	215,000
VIRGINIA	933,000	176,000	2,112,000	0	0	0	0	0	3,221,000
WASHINGTON	620,000	200,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	820,000
W. VIRGINIA	558,000	123,000	1,108,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,789,000
WISCONSIN	1,173,000	151,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,324,000
WYOMING	288,000	46,000	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	334,000
OTHER	271,000	0	44,000	0				0	315,000
SBIR	3,358,000	472,000	930,000	775,000	6,156,000	417,000		0	12,108,000
PEER PANEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MULTISTATE TO								•	0
BE DISTRIBUTED	91,803,000	12,249,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	104,052,000
<u>REIMBURSABLE</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Q</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>o</u>	0
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FEDERAL ADMIN	4,900,000	<u>584,000</u>	1,150,000	1,291,000	10,260,000	1,668,000	10,720,000	<u>0</u>	30,573,000
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SUBTOTAL									
OBLIGATIONS	138,569,000	19,433,000	38,266,000	2,066,000	16,416,000	2,085,000	10,720,000	0	227,555,000
Undistributed	<u>0</u>	Q	<u>0</u>	29,863,000	239,132,000	40,363,000	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	309,358,000
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SUBTOTAL	138,569,000	19,433,000	38,266,000	31,929,000	255,548,000	42,448,000	10,720,000	0	536,913,000
TRIBAL ENDOW		_							
IRIBAL ENDOW	0	0	0	0	0	11,880,000	0	0	11,880,000
BIOTECH RISK									
ASSESSMENT	620,000	20.000	c# 000						
ASSESSIVEN I	<u>639,000</u>	30,000	<u>65,000</u>	<u>346,000</u>	952,000	<u>32,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	2,064,000
TOTAL	139,208,000	19,463,000	29 221 000	22 275 000	256 500 000	******			
TOTAL	139,208,000	19,463,000	38,331,000	32,275,000	256,500,000	54,360,000	10,720,000	0	550,857,000

CLASSIFICATION BY OBJECTS

Research and Education Activities 2007 Actuals and Estimated 2008 and 2009

Personnel Compensation:	2007	2008	2009
Washington, D.C	\$21,274,245 0	\$21,846,000 0	\$22,474,000 0
11 Total personnel compensation	21,274,245 5,408,377 4,458 26,687,080	21,846,000 5,552,000 4,000 27,402,000	22,474,000 5,709,000 4,000 28,187,000
Other Objects:			
21 Travel	1,739,493 22,487 6,058 82,625 645,574 532,722 386,755 314,432 225,203 100,894 257,277 1,940,982 30,509 138,014 46,296 464,854 491,625 629,400,558 27,973 636,854,331	1,773,000 23,000 6,000 84,000 658,000 543,000 394,000 320,000 229,000 103,000 262,000 2,034,000 31,000 141,000 47,000 474,000 501,000 762,321,000 27,000	1,808,000 23,000 6,000 86,000 871,000 554,000 402,000 327,000 234,000 105,000 267,000 1,991,000 32,000 143,000 48,000 483,000 511,000 514,952,000 27,000
Total direct obligations	663,541,411	797,3,73,000	550,857,000
Position Data:		,	
Average Salary, ES	\$156,976 \$83,908 11.5	\$162,470 \$86,845 11.5	\$167,182 \$89,364 11.5

STATUS OF PROGRAM

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES:

Current Activities:

- 1. Hatch Act. The Hatch Act provides formula funds to support research at the State Agricultural Experiment Stations which improves production, marketing, distribution, and utilization of crops and livestock for the food supply, health, and welfare of the American people, while conserving resources, enhancing nutrition and sustaining rural living conditions. Students are provided training opportunities to assist in scientific research projects conducted at the stations. Hatch Act formula funds are matched by non-Federal funds and are used to support research in forest and natural resources; crop resources; animal resources; people, communities, and institutions; competition, trade adjustment, price, and income policy; and food science and human nutrition. As a result of provisions contained in the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, at least 25 percent of available Hatch funding must be used to support multi-State research; States must expend 25 percent, or two times the level spent in fiscal year (FY) 1997 (whichever is less), on integrated research and extension activities. These requirements can be met concurrently.
- 2. McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Research. The McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Research program provides formula funds to support research related to use of the Nation's forest resources. Timber production, forest land management, wood utilization, and the associated development of new products and distribution systems are some of the topics of this research. Additional areas of investigation include wildlife, recreation, water, range, and environmental quality, which are essential to the long-term productivity and profitability of the integrated system of forest resources.
- 3. Evans-Allen Program. The Evans-Allen formula funds research program for the 1890 Colleges and Tuskegee University was established in the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977, as amended. Beginning in FY 1979 annual appropriations have been used to support continuing agricultural research at the 1890 Colleges and Tuskegee University. The general provisions section 753 of Public Law 107-76 makes West Virginia State University eligible to receive funds under this program. Appropriations under this authority are the primary source of support for the food and agricultural research programs at the 1890 Colleges, Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University. Section 7203(b) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 requires that beginning in FY 2003, funds appropriated for the Evans-Allen Program be not less than 25 percent of the Hatch Act appropriation. Evans-Allen funds require a 100 percent non-Federal match. These programs place emphasis on small-scale agriculture, human nutrition, rural development and quality of living, crop resources, and animal resources. In addition, this program supports the development of agricultural expertise by providing training opportunities for students to assist in the research projects being conducted at these institutions.
- 4. <u>Animal Health and Disease Research</u>. The Animal Health and Disease Research formula program provides funding to accredited schools or colleges of veterinary medicine and/or State Agricultural Experiment Stations that support animal health and disease research. State Comprehensive Plans for animal health research, approved by CSREES, are being followed by the eligible institutions within each State. Provisions of Section 1433 permit selection of studies within each State based on the highest-priority needs and the capabilities of the institutions to conduct the needed research.

- 5. Special Research Grants. The Special Research Grants Program concentrates on problems of national, regional, and local interest beyond the normal emphasis in the formula programs. Program objectives are to facilitate or expand promising breakthroughs of importance to the Nation in areas of food and agricultural sciences and to facilitate or expand ongoing State-Federal food and agricultural research programs. Generally, funding requested in Executive Branch budgets is for projects that have regional and/or national impact, such as those projects addressing global change, pest control issues, biological impact assessment, aquaculture centers, and sustainable agriculture.
- National Research Initiative (NRI) Competitive Grants Program. The NRI Competitive Grants Program was established in 1991 in response to a recommendation from the National Academy of Sciences in a 1989 report entitled, "Investing in Research: A Proposal to Strengthen the Agricultural, Food and Environmental System." The report recommended a major increase in funding of high priority research in order to: (1) increase competitiveness of U.S. agriculture, (2) improve human health and well-being through studies on food safety and human nutrition, and (3) enhance the environment and natural resource base upon which agriculture depends. All U.S. scientists are eligible to compete for NRI funds, including scientists at land-grant universities, other public universities, private universities and institutions, and Federal laboratories, as well as unaffiliated individuals. The NRI uses merit review by scientific peers to identify the most meritorious proposals for funding each year. At least 10 percent of the funds appropriated for the NRI is used for strengthening the U.S. agricultural research system. These funds support postdoctoral fellows, new investigators, scientists at small and mid-sized institutions, and faculty at institutions in the Experimental Program for Stimulating Competitive Research (EPSCoR) States (States that historically have not been competitive for research funds.) Section 775 of P.L. 107-76 codified the EPSCoR within the NRI. Up to 26 percent of NRI funding may be used to carry out activities such as those provided for under Section 401 of Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998. The NRI encourages multidisciplinary research needed to solve complex problems and seeks to open new areas of science and engineering with relevance to food, forestry, agriculture, biofuels, and the environment.
- 7. Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program. The Small Business Innovation Development Act was designed to strengthen the role of small, innovative firms in Federally funded research and development. Under the SBIR program, 2.5 percent of appropriations for extramural research and development is set aside for awards to eligible small firms. The SBIR Program is a three-phased effort, but only Phase I and Phase II, the feasibility and follow-on research and development phases respectively, are eligible for support with USDA funds. Firms are encouraged to secure Phase III funding for the commercialization phase from other public or private sources. The 12 research areas supported under the SBIR program are: forests and related resources; plant production and protection-biology; animal production and protection; soil and water resources; food science and nutrition; rural development; aquaculture; biofuels and biobased products; marketing and trade; animal manure management; small and mid-sized farms; and plant production and protection-engineering. CSREES administers the SBIR program for USDA, including the funds set aside for SBIR from other USDA agencies.
- 8. <u>Tribal Colleges Research Grants Program</u>. The Tribal Colleges Research Grants Program (authorized under the Equity in Educational Land-Grant Status Act of 1994, Public Law 103-382, as amended) is a competitive program for conducting agricultural research activities that address tribal, National, or multi-State priorities.
- 9. <u>Higher Education Programs</u>. The <u>USDA Food and Agricultural Sciences National Needs Graduate</u> <u>Fellowship Grants Program</u> awards grants to colleges and universities to stimulate the development of food and agricultural scientific expertise in targeted areas of national need. This is the only Federal

program targeted specifically to the recruitment and training of doctoral students for critical food and agricultural scientific positions. The competitive Institution Challenge Grants Program is designed to stimulate and enable colleges and universities to provide the quality of education necessary to produce graduates capable of strengthening the Nation's food and agricultural scientific and professional workforce. Institutions match USDA funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis. The competitive Secondary and Two-year Postsecondary Agriculture Education Challenge Grants Program promotes and strengthens the ability of public secondary schools' education in agribusiness and agriscience and increases the number and/or diversity of young Americans pursuing college degrees in the food and agricultural sciences. The competitive Higher Education Multicultural Scholars Program provides grants to institutions for scholarships to attract and educate more students from groups currently underrepresented in the food and agricultural sciences for careers in agriscience and agribusiness. Institutions must provide 25 percent in matching funds. The competitive 1890 Institution Capacity Building Grants Program serves as the crux of the Department's high-priority initiatives to advance the teaching and research capacity of the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions and Tuskegee University. The Tribal Colleges Endowment Fund distributes interest earned by an endowment established for the 1994 Land-Grant Institutions (33 Tribally controlled colleges) as authorized in the Equity in Education Land-Grant Status Act of 1994, P.L. 103-382, as amended. The Endowment Fund enhances education in agricultural sciences and related areas for Native Americans by building education capacity at these institutions. The Tribal Colleges Education Equity Grants Program is a formula program designed to enhance educational opportunities for Native Americans by strengthening instructional programs in food and agriculture. The competitive Hispanic-Serving Institutions Education Grants Program promotes and strengthens the ability of Hispanic-Serving Institutions to carry out higher education teaching programs in the food and agricultural sciences. The Alaska Native Serving and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Education Grants Program is designed to recruit, support and educate minority scientists and professionals, and advance the educational capacity of these Native-serving institutions. The Resident Instruction Grants for Insular Areas Program is designed to enhance teaching programs at higher education institutions located in U.S. insular areas that focus on agriculture, natural resources, forestry, veterinary medicine, home economics, and disciplines closely allied to food and agriculture production and delivery systems.

Selected Examples of Recent Progress:

- 1. Hatch Act. Researchers at the University of Illinois studied the effects of continuous use of antibiotics in swine production to discover the potential for antibiotic resistant genes. The study revealed high levels of antimicrobial resistance not only in swine waste, but also through the waste treatment process, which raises concerns that land use of the treated waste will contribute to an environmental antibiotic resistant reservoir. According to the study, while the link between environmental resistance and public health concerns is not confirmed, further investigation is needed. The research did, however, reveal that high levels of tylosin resistance existed for years after use of the antibiotic ended and indicates the need for microbiologists, swine nutritionists and veterinarians to work together to identify effective and careful treatment systems.
- 2. McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Research. Tree branch failure causes considerable damage and concern, especially in urban areas. Through studies at the University of Connecticut, researchers developed a method of using 3-dimensional motion capture to record tree sway, thus demonstrating the ability to analyze tree motion. The results of the study revealed that previous branch failure studies in evergreens could not be applied to hardwood forests.

- 3. Evans-Allen Program. The female paddlefish's blackish roe (eggs) are highly sought after, not for reproducing more paddlefish, but for the pricey worldwide delicacy known as caviar. Researchers at Kentucky State University hope to create a complete breeding program for the production of all-female paddlefish for the caviar industry which will enable U.S. fish farmers to compete more in world markets.
- 4. National Research Initiative. Scientists at Cornell University in New York discovered honeybee colonies to be more productive when the swarm is genetically diverse instead of uniform. Bees are among the few insects that practice polyandry, meaning the queen mates with multiple males. By doing so, the colonies promote genetic difference by decreasing intracolony relatedness. The researchers compared diverse and uniform colonies by measuring comb construction, brood rearing, foraging activity, food storage, population size and weight gain. The results revealed that the genetically diverse colonies' productivity far exceeded the uniform colonies' in all categories. U.S. agriculture may benefit from this discovery by leading to improved management of colonies and higher pollination effectiveness.

Aspen tree decline has become a common trend in western portions of the U.S., causing land managers to attempt to redevelop the trees. Currently, silvicultural treatments, which are various methods used to cultivate forests, are used to regenerate aspen. However, little is known about the environmental effect the treatments have upon the western landscape. At **Utah State University**, researchers are evaluating environmental responses to silvicultural treatments used to abundantly regenerate aspen. The study will focus on the silvicultural treatments of burning, chipping of whole trees, harvesting of merchantable timber, and chopping down of both merchantable and non-merchantable timber.

- 5. <u>Institution Challenge Grants Program</u>. Ohio State University (OSU) has developed a course module focused on ecological waste treatment. The Ecosystems for Waste Treatment course allows students to learn about ecological treatment systems by observing and applying changes to an ecological system that purifies wash-water from the OSU dairy facilities. The course will be used as a guide to create similar courses focused on ecological waste treatment.
- 6. Hispanic-Serving Institutions Education Grants Program. The University of Puerto Rico (UPR) at Mayaguez and UPR Himacao joined together for a cooperative initiative called GeMS to train a new generation of students to be more competitive in functional genomics, bioprospecting, geomicrobiology and natural resources conservation. The GeMS project allows UPR students to participate in an exchange program with the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Connecticut to share what they have learned. Overall, the project will advance the UPR system curriculum by developing and implementing the first metagenomic course, which would study genetic material directly from environmental samples.

PART ASSESSMENTS:

The following Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART) assessment information is being shown only once under the Research and Education Activities. However, this information applies to Extension, Integrated, and Section 2501-Outreach and Technical Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers Activities.

Utilizing PART, portfolios of projects are segregated by goal and assessed on an annual and 5-year basis to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and Department goals. Experts' recommendations for improvement then form the basis for achieving improved scores. The program assessments are as follows:

1. The portfolio of programs designed to achieve USDA Strategic Goal 1 (Enhance International Competitiveness of American Agriculture) and Goal 2 (Enhance the Competitiveness and Sustainability of Rural and Farm Economies) was evaluated in FY 2004 and received a "Moderately Effective" rating.

Research/Extension Grants: Economic Opportunities for Producers. This program funds competitive, formula and direct grants to individuals and institutions, largely land grant colleges and universities. Among the activities supported are preserving and expanding plant and animal genetic diversity and developing new food and non-food biobased products.

Key Findings

- The program has a clear purpose, and is well managed. It meets a specific need, namely maintaining the economic viability of the agricultural sector.
- Some of the funding for this program is earmarked to specific locations and for specific purposes
 rather than through a competitive peer review process that would also reflect national priorities.
 However, these earmarked projects are still reviewed by CSREES to ensure quality and
 performance.
- The program documented efficiency measures for the cost and length of time to process grant proposals.

Improvement Plan

- Proposing increased funding for competitive peer reviewed projects. COMPLETED
- Modifying the long term performance measures to show the actual use of the results of research, rather than just the number developed. COMPLETED
- Improving efficiencies in the review of grant proposals. COMPLETED
- Improving the focus of grant recipient reporting on outcomes.
- Increasing planning and coordination with the Agricultural Research Service regarding the collection of stakeholder input.
- 2. The portfolio of programs designed to achieve USDA Strategic Goal 4 (Enhance Protection and Safety of the Nation's Agriculture and Food Supply) was evaluated in FY 2005 and received a "Moderately Effective" rating.

<u>Protection and Safety of Agricultural Food Supply (Grants).</u> This program enhances the safety of the Nation's food supply by providing grants for research, education, and extension activities. It has three portfolios: the reduction of food-borne disease, plant protection, and animal protection. Grants are provided through competition, formulas or earmarks.

Key Findings

- The long term performance measures relate to the relevancy of the program. One is the number of contamination reducing methods that have been developed and actually used. Another is the number of significant pests for which tests are available. The third is based on an overall portfolio review that takes into account relevancy, performance, and quality.
- The cost to review grant proposals has increased, but met the target. The agency assumes an annual increase of two percent in the targets.
- The safety of the food supply remains a major public health challenge. The Center for Disease Control estimated that 76 million people get sick, more than 300,000 are hospitalized and 5,000 die from food borne illnesses.

Improvement Plan

- Developing measures that show the actual use of discoveries and technologies that are developed by the program. In addition, the program needs to develop targets related to extension activities.
 COMPLETED
- Developing improved linkages between funding and results. COMPLETED
- Finding more innovative and cost effective ways to review grant proposals on an agency widebasis. COMPLETED
- Improving the focus of grant recipient reporting on outcomes.
- Increasing planning and coordination with the Agricultural Research Service regarding the collection of stakeholder input.
- 3. The portfolio of programs designed to achieve USDA Strategic Goal 6 (Protect and Enhance the Nation's Natural Resource Base and Environment) was evaluated in FY 2005 and received a "Moderately Effective" rating.

<u>Natural Resource Base and Environment (Grants).</u> This program protects and enhances natural resources through grants for research, education, and extension activities in the management of forests and rangelands, and the management for soil, air and water. Grants are provided through competition, formulas or earmarks.

Key Findings

- Since the long term performance measures are newly developed, there is no evidence of achieving targets. These measures were designed to show not only the development of technology, but its use.
- The program met its two annual targets that deal with efficiency. They are the cost of reviewing a grant proposal and the time needed to review the proposal. The cost per proposal reviewed is estimated at \$535, less than the target of \$541. The time to review a proposal is estimated to be 216 days, the same as the target.

Improvement Plan

- Enhancing the tracking of measures in the budget justifications, as well as the use of research and technologies. COMPLETED
- Developing additional measures to show how much of the research is reaching users through extension activities. COMPLETED
- Developing innovative ways of improving the efficiency of its grant awards process.
 COMPLETED
- Improving the focus of grant recipient reporting on outcomes.
- Increasing planning and coordination with the Agricultural Research Service regarding the collection of stakeholder input.

4. The portfolios of programs designed to achieve USDA Strategic Goal 5 (Improve the Nation's Nutrition and Health) and USDA Strategic Goal 3 (Support Increased Economic Opportunities and Improved Quality of Life in Rural America) were evaluated in FY 2006 and both received an "Effective" rating.

Grants for Nutrition and Health. This program provides grants to support research and extension programs to improve the nutritional well being of the population. The largest recipients of grants are land grant universities and State agricultural experiment stations. Grants are provided through open competition, formula, or earmarks.

Key Findings

- This program responds to a serious problem, the negative impact that poor dietary habits are having on the health and well-being of Americans.
- The program uses expert peer review scores to measure the performance, quality and relevance of programs. It also measures the development and use of effective intervention strategies to change behavior, and tracks the achievement of participants in the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP).
- While this program does include a number of projects added to the Budget by the Congress, the
 number is fewer than in other research programs. However, within the limitations of total funding,
 the inclusion of any unrequested projects reduces funding that could be used for high priority
 national programs.

Improvement Plan

- Ensuring that all interested parties have the necessary access to grant information, as well as continuing to emphasize grant capacity building as appropriate. COMPLETED
- Improving the focus of grant recipient reporting on outcomes.
- Increasing planning and coordination with the Agricultural Research Service regarding the collection of stakeholder input.

Grants for Economic Opportunities and Quality of Life for Rural America. This program provides grants to support research and extension programs to improve the well being of the rural population. The largest recipients of grants are land grant universities and State Agricultural Experiment Stations. Grants are provided through open competition, formula, or earmarks.

Key Findings

- The program addresses the problems faced by the fifty-five million Americans who live in rural areas, where in many cases population has been declining. Program efforts are directed toward improving rural communities.
- The program has a limited number of long term outcome measures with ambitious goals and timeframes.
- This programs includes a significant number of projects (earmarks) added to the budget by the Congress. Within the limitations of total funding, the inclusion of any unrequested projects reduces funding that could be used for high priority national programs.

Improvement Plan

- Improving the focus of grant recipient reporting on outcomes.
- Increasing planning and coordination with the Agricultural Research Service regarding the collection of stakeholder input.

The estimates include appropriation language for this item as follows (new language underscored; deleted matter enclosed in brackets).

Extension Activities

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For payments to States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Micronesia, Northern Marianas, and American Samoa, [\$456,460,000] \$431,753,000, as follows: payments for cooperative extension work under the Smith-Lever Act, to be distributed under sections 3(b) and 3(c) of said Act, and under section 208(c) of Public Law 93-471, for retirement and employees' compensation costs for extension agents, [\$276,596,000] \$273,181,000; payments for extension work at the 1994 Institutions under the Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C. 343(b)(3)), [\$3,321,000] \$3,240,000; payments for the nutrition and family education program for lowincome areas under section 3(d) of the Act, [\$66,019,000] \$62,280,000; payments for the pest management program under section 3(d) of the Act, [\$9,860,000] \$10,651,000; [payments for the farm safety program under section 3(d) of the Act, \$4,759,000;] payments for New Technologies for Ag Extension under section 3(d) of the Act, [\$1,485,000] \$2,970,000; payments to upgrade research, extension, and teaching facilities at institutions eligible to receive funds under 7 U.S.C. 3221 and 3222, [\$17,389,000] \$16,609,000, to remain available until expended; payments for youth-at-risk programs under section 3(d) of the Smith-Lever Act, [\$8,024,000] \$8,396,000; for youth farm safety education and certification extension grants, to be awarded competitively under section 3(d) of the Act, [\$467,000] \$494,000; payments for carrying out the provisions of the Renewable Resources Extension Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 1671 et seq.), [\$4,036,000] \$4,052,000; payments for the federally-recognized Tribes Extension Program under section 3(d) of the Smith-Lever Act, [\$3,000,000] \$2,970,000; payments for sustainable agriculture programs under section 3(d) of the Act, [\$4,600,000] \$3,754,000; [payments for rural health and safety education as authorized by section 502(i) of Public Law 92-419 (7 U.S.C. 2662(i)), \$1,750,000;] payments for cooperative extension work by eligible institutions (7 U.S.C. 3221), [\$36,103,000] \$34,073,000,

provided that each institution receives no less than \$1,000,000; [for grants to youth organizations pursuant to section 7630 of title 7, United States Code, \$1,750,000;] and for necessary expenses of Extension Activities, [\$17,301,000] \$9,083,000. (Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008.)

The first change deletes the language for the farm safety program under section 3(d) of the Smith-Lever Act.

<u>The second change</u> deletes the language for rural health and safety education as authorized by section 502(i) of Public Law 92-419 (7 U.S.C. 2662(i)).

<u>The third change</u> deletes the language for grants to youth organizations pursuant to section 7630 of title 7, United States Code.

Lead-Off Tabular Statement

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

Budget	Estimate, 2008	\$456,460,000 <u>431,753,000</u> <u>-24,707,000</u>
	Adjustments in 2008: \$456,460,000 Appropriations Act, 2008 \$456,460,000 Rescission under P.L. 110-161 a/ -3,195,000 Activities transferred to Departmental Administration -108,000	
	Adjusted base for 2008	453,157,000 <u>431,753,000</u> -21,404,000
<u>a/</u>	The amount is rescinded pursuant to Division A, Title VII, Section 752 of P.L. 110-	-161.
<u>b/</u>	Beginning with 2008, the Department will transfer and consolidate all Ethics activt Office of Ethics in Departmental Administration (DA). On a comparable basis the f cost of the activity is \$108,000 for 2009.	

Summary of Increases and Decreases (On basis of appropriation)

	2008		Program	2009
Item of Change	Estimated	Pay Costs	Changes	Budget
Extension Activities:				
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Smith-Lever 3 (b) & (c)		-	-1,479,000	\$273,181,000
1890 Institutions	35,850,000	-	-1,777,000	34,073,000
Smith-Lever 3 (d):				
EFNEP	65,557,000	-	-3,277,000	62,280,000
Farm Safety	4,726,000	-	-4,726,000	-
New Technologies for Ag Extension	1,475,000	-	+1,495,000	2,970,000
Pest Management	9,791,000	•	+860,000	10,651,000
Children, Youth, and Families				
at Risk	7,968,000	-	+428,000	8,396,000
Youth Farm Safety Education				
and Certification	463,000	-	+31,000	494,000
Federally-Recognized Tribes Extension Program	2,979,000	-	-9,000	2,970,000
Sustainable Agriculture	4,568,000	-	-814,000	3,754,000
Rural Health & Safety		-	-1,738,000	· · · · ·
1890 Facilities (Sec. 1447)	17,267,000	-	-658,000	16,609,000
Grants to Youth Serving Institutions	1,737,000	-	-1,737,000	
Renewable Resources Extension Act	4,008,000	-	+44,000	4,052,000
Extension Services at the 1994 Institutions	3.298,000	_	-58,000	3,240,000
Federal Administration (direct approp.):	5,270,000		20,000	5,2,10,000
General Admin. Including pay cost	6,697,000	+736,000	+908,000	8,341,000
- • •		1750,000	-9,633,000	742,000
All Other	10,375,000		-5,055,000	742,000
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Total Available, Extension	452 157 000	1726 000	22 140 000	421 752 000
Activities	453,157,000	+736,000	-22,140,000	431,753,000

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

Project Statement by Program (On basis of appropriation)

:	2007 Act		: 2008 Estim			2009 Estim	
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Project :	Amount	: Years :		: Years:	Decrease :		: Year
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Smith-Lever Act, Section 3b&c:	\$285,565,000			: :	-\$1,479,000	\$273,181,000	;
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Payments to 1890 Colleges and :		: :	:	: :	:		:
Tuskegee University:	35,205,000	: :	35,850,000 :	: :	-1,777,000 :	34,073,000	:
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Smith-Lever, Section 3d Programs:		: :	•		:		:
EFNEP ::	63,538,000		00,000,		-3,277,000 :	62,280,000	
Farm Safety:	4,517,370		4,726,000 ;		-4,726,000 :	;	
New Technologies for Ag Extension:	1,485,000		1,475,000 :		+1,495,000 :	2,970,000	
Pest Management:	9,860,400		9,791,000 :		+860,000 :	10,651,000 :	
Children, Youth, and Families :		: :	:				
at Risk	7,650,720	:	7,968,000 :		+428,000 :	8,396,000 :	
Youth Farm Safety Education :		: :	:		:	:	
and Certification:	439,560		463,000 :		+31,000 :	494,000 ;	
Federally-Recognized Tribes :			:	-	:	:	
Extension Program:	3,000,000		2,979,000 :	:	-9,000 :	2,970,000 :	
Sustainable Agriculture:	4,026,200 :		4,568,000 :	<u>:</u> _	-814,000 :	3,754,000 :	
Total Section 3d Programs:	94,517,250 :		97,527,000 :	:	-6,012,000 :	91,515,000 :	
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Ag in the Classroom	:	:	553,000 :	:	+189,000:	742,000 :	
General Admin. including pay cost:	7,016,000 :	:	6,697,000 :	:	+1,644,000 :	8,341,000 :	
Other:	:	:	9,822,000 :	:	-9,822,000 :	;	
Total Federal Administration:	7,016,000 :	:	17,072,000 :	:	-7,989,000 :	9,083,000 :	
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EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

Project Statement by Program (On basis of available funds)

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Smith-Lever Act, Section 3b&c:	\$285,520,000	: :	\$274,660,000 :	:	-1,479,000 ;	\$273,181,000:	
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Payments to 1890 Colleges and :	;	: :	:	:	:	:	
Tuskegee University:	35,205,000	: :	35,850,000:	:	-1,777,000 :	34,073,000 :	
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Smith-Lever, Section 3d Programs:	:	:	:	:	:	:	
EFNEP:	63,538,000 ;	:	65,557,000 :	:	-3,277,000 :	62,280,000:	
Farm Safety:	4,517,370 :	:	4,726,000 :	:	-4,726,000 :	:	
New Technologies for Ag Extension:	1,485,000 ;	:	1,475,000 :	:	+1,495,000:	2,970,000:	
Pest Management:	9,860,400 :	:	9,791,000:	:	+860,000:	10,651,000 :	
Children, Youth, and Families :	:	:	:	:	:	:	
at Risk:	7,650,720 :	:	7,968,000:	;	+428,000 :	8,396,000:	
Youth Farm Safety Education :	:	:	:	:	:	:	
and Certification:	439,560 :	:	463,000:	:	+31,000:	494,000 :	
Federally-Recognized Tribes:	3,000,000 :	:	2,979,000:	:	-9,000 :	2,970,000 :	
Sustainable Agriculture:	4,026,200 :	:_	4,568,000 :	<u>:</u> _	-814,000 :	3,754,000 :	
Total Section 3d Programs:	94,517,250 :	:	97,527,000 :	:	-6,012,000 :	91,515,000 :	
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Payments to Rural Health and :	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Safety Education:	1,945,350 :	:	1,738,000:	:	-1,738,000 :	;	
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Grants to Youth Serving Institutions:	1,980,000 :	:	1,737,000:	:	-1,737,000:	:	
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Extension Act (RREA):	4,019,400 :	:	4,008,000:	:	+44,000 :	4,052,000:	
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1994 Institutions:	3,321,000 :	:	3,298,000 :	:	-58,000 :	3,240,000:	
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General Admin. including pay cost:	7,016,000 :	:	6,697,000 ;	:	+1,644,000:	8,341,000:	
Other:	<u>:</u>	:	9,822,000 :	<u>:</u>	-9,822,000 ;	:	
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Project :	Amount :	Years	<u>. </u>	Amount :	Years	s ;	Decrease :	Amount	:	Years
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Biodiesel Fuel Education Program:	-1,000,000 :		:	:		:				
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Risk Management Education:	-5,000,000 :		:	-5,000,000 :		:				
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Justification of Increases and Decreases

Extension Activities

(1) A decrease of \$3,256,000 for base programs (\$310,510,000 available in 2008) as follows:

	Increase or							
	FY 2008	Decrease	FY 2009					
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)					
Smith-Lever 3 (b) and (c)	\$274,660	-\$1,479	\$273,181					
1890 Institutions	<u>35,850</u>	<u>-1,777</u>	34,073					
Total	\$310,510	-\$3,256	\$307,254					

The proposed action restores individual programs to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at these levels will continue to provide support for these activities.

(2) A net decrease of \$6,012,000 for Smith-Lever 3(d) programs (\$97,527,000 available in 2008) as follows:

a. A decrease of \$4,726,000 to eliminate funding for Farm Safety (\$4,726,000 available in 2008) as follows:

This action is consistent with the Administration's belief that a more effective use of taxpayer dollars is achieved through competitively-awarded grants that meet national goals. Alternative funding from other programs, State and local governments, and private sources could be used to support aspects of this program deemed to be of priority at State and/or local levels.

b. A decrease of \$1,286,000 for other Smith-Lever 3(d) programs (\$92,801,000 available in 2008) as follows:

•		Increase or	
	FY 2008	Decrease	FY 2009
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
Expanded Food and Nutrition Education			
Program	\$65,557	-\$3,277	\$62,280
New Technologies for Ag Extension	1,475	1,495	2,970
Pest Management	9,791	860	10,651
Children, Youth, and Families at Risk	7,968	428	8,396
Youth Farm Safety Education and			
Certification	463	31	494
Federally-Recognized Tribes Extension			
Program (Formerly EIRP)	2,979	-9	2,970
Sustainable Agriculture	<u>4,568</u>	<u>-814</u>	<u>3,754</u>
Total	\$92,801	-\$1,286	\$91,515

The proposed action restores individual programs to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at these levels will continue to provide support for these activities.

(3) A decrease of \$1,738,000 to eliminate funding for Rural Health and Safety (\$1,738,000 available in 2008) as follows:

This action is consistent with the Administration's belief that a more effective use of taxpayer dollars is achieved through competitively-awarded grants that meet national goals. Alternative funding from other programs such as Smith-Lever, State and local governments, and private sources could be used to support aspects of this program deemed to be of priority at State and/or local levels.

(4) A decrease of \$1,737,000 to eliminate funding for Grants for Youth Serving Institutions (\$1,737,000 available in 2008) as follows:

This action is consistent with the Administration's belief that a more effective use of taxpayer dollars is achieved through competitively-awarded grants that meet national goals. Alternative funding from other programs such as Smith-Lever, State and local governments, and private sources could be used to support aspects of this program deemed to be of priority at State and/or local levels.

(5) A decrease of \$672,000 for other Extension Programs (\$24,573,000 available in 2008) as follows:

	Increase or							
	FY 2008	Decrease	FY 2009					
	(\$000	(\$000)	(\$000)					
Extension Services at 1994 Institutions	\$3,298	-\$58	\$3,240					
Renewable Resources Extension Act	4,008	44	4,052					
1890 Facilities	<u> 17,267</u>	<u>-658</u>	<u> 16,609</u>					
Total	\$24,573	-\$672	\$23,901					

The proposed action restores individual programs to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at these levels will continue to provide support for these activities.

(6) A net decrease of \$7,989,000 for Federal Administration projects (\$17,072,000 available in 2008) as follows:

a. An increase of \$736,000 to fund pay costs (\$6,697,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The CSREES budget consists of numerous programs that award thousands of individual grants to colleges and universities and other eligible recipients. These programs are managed at the national level by a staff of about 380 full time employees at the end of FY 2007 and with a number of temporary and intermittent employees. Grants management includes developing program regulations, establishing broad program goals, reviewing proposals, preparing grant documentation, post-award review of progress, and similar activities necessary to achieve program goals. Between 3 and 4 percent of funds provided for programs may be used to support administration of the programs as established by law. These operating activities are also supported by the direct Federal Administration funds provided in annual appropriations to pay for increased pay costs. Without these funds, the agency will be unable to maintain staffing levels needed to ensure high quality grants management of the Department's extension programs supporting the food and agriculture system.

b. An increase of \$189,000 for Agriculture in the Classroom (\$553,000 available in 2008) as follows:

An increase of \$189,000 will restore this program to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at this level will help to advance agricultural literacy through a grassroots network of State coordinators, school teachers, agribusiness leaders, and other educators by supporting initiatives that include expanding outreach to underrepresented populations; regional demonstration projects; integration of information technology to reduce program delivery cots; and outstanding teacher recognition initiatives.

The primary performance measure will be a review score of the portfolio to which the program contributes. CSREES has created portfolios or programs, each encompassing a set of continuing CSREES-funded activities broadly focused on a current and/or emerging issue of societal importance and which serves the foundation for agency planning and evaluation. These portfolios are subject to rigorous assessment by experts on an annual and periodic (5-year) basis to determine the extent to which they are making progress toward solving targeted national problems. A recently implemented assessment tool will be used to review the portfolio's relevance, quality, and performance, assigning a quantitative score to its performance. This score serves as the primary performance measure for CSREES-funded activities and is the most suitable measure of performance for this program.

c. A decrease of \$9,822,000 for to eliminate earmarked projects (\$9,822,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The Administration strongly believes that peer-reviewed competitive programs that meet national needs are a more effective use of taxpayer dollars than earmarks that are provided to a specific recipient. The FY 2009 budget proposes to eliminate these targeted earmarks.

Some broad aspects of many topics currently addressed by earmarked projects may be included in the scope of other broader based, competitively-awarded Federal programs or programs supported with non-Federal funds administered by State-level scientific program managers.

d. An increase of \$908,000 for general administration related to the implementation of Federal programs.

STATE.	SMITH-LEVER FORMULA	PEST MGMT	FARM SAFETY	1890's UNIV & TUSK I UNIV (EA)	INDIAN RESERVATION PROGRAM	EFNEP Y	EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION	YOUTH AT RISK	NEW TECHNOLOGIES AT AG EXT	1890 FACILITIES	RENEWABLE RESOURCES	GRANTS TO YOUTH SERVING INSTITUTIONS	SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE	RURAL HEALTH & SAFETY	FEDERAL ACM-SPECIAL	INDIAN TRIBAL 1994 COLLEGES	ARPA-RISK MANAGEMENT EDUCATION PARTNERS	Blodiesel Fuel EDUCATION PROGRAM	TOTAL FEDERAL
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ALABAMA	7,009,515	245,917	0	3,444,018	0	2,141,486	0	99,174	0	1,780,556	106.351	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14,829,017
ALASKA AMERICAN SAMOA	1,103,392 863,537	56,308 24,408	0	0	88,750 0	178,008 100,000	0	0	0	0	83,393 0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	. 0	1,509,851 987,945
ARIZONA	2,064,057	100,408	0	0	747,775	609,384	0	0	0	0	72.643	0	0	0	0	170,000	0	0	3,764.267
ARKANSAS	5,924,945	265,325	ō	1,533,405	0	1,337.545	ō	316,000	ō	625,098	96.065	ō	ō	0	ō	0	0	ō	10,298,383
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COLORADO CONNECTICUT	3.077,148 2,024,903	142.672	199,000	0	0	575,275	. 0	134,000	0	0	61,893	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,189,988
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FLORIDA	4.897.062	276.540	0	1,483,608	73,000	2,179,122	0	506,604	0	833,862	97,601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,347,399
GEORGIA	7,931,167	413,782	146,668	2,081,390	0	2,231,404	0	134,000	0	938,444	109.886	0	881,476	0	0	0	0	0	14,868,217
Guam Hawaii	919,935 1,265,011	24,421 68,408	0	. 0	0	100,000 265,514	0	300,000 124,000	0	0	46.536	0	0	67,827	0	. 0	0	0	1,412,183 1,769,469
IDAHO	2,766,346	200,408	199,000	ő	247,547	300.287	0	100,000	0	0	54,214	n	0	0	0	0	0	190,000	4,057,802
ILLINOIS	9,540,859	266,493	0	ō	0	2,172,760	ō	134,000	ō	0	55,750	ō	ŏ	184,340	ō	ō	ō	0	12,354,202
INDIANA	8,557,207	203,808	180,000	0	0	1,204,613	421,280	0	0	0	52.679	633,600	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,253,187
IOWA	9,389,308	382,691	0	0	0	893,490	0	106,595	0	0	46,536	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,818,620
KANSAS KENTUCKY	5.693,422 9,367,156	209,754	177,829 0	2.606.687	0	694,802	0	783,035	0	0	46,536	0	0	200.005	0	85,000	0	0	7,690,378
LOUISIANA	9,367,156 5,460,862	124,246 273,589	0	1,394,604	0	1.733.939 1.945.979	0	282,000 100,000	0	1,035,651 774,605	80.708 97.994	0	0	322,205	0	0	0	0	15,552,592 10,042,633
MAINE	2,213,169	143,616	ō	0	ō	423.255	0	0	0	0	66,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,846,540
MARYLAND	3,400,303	100,408	0	1,110,639	0	938.230	Ō	234,000	ō	721.376	57.673	633,600	ō	ō	0	0	0	0	7,196,229
MASSACHUSETTS	2,512,862	100,408	0	0	. 0	986,951	0	134,000	0	0	46.536	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,780,757
MICHIGAN MICRONESIA	8,831,575	193,608 24,408	180,000	0	92,710	1.805.277	0	168,907	0	0	135.321	0	15,670	0	0	85,523	0	0	11,508,591
MINNESOTA	959,051 9,185,771	24,408	0 191.959	0	0 115,000	100.000 993.384	0	225,000	0	0	60,357	0	901 476	0	0	263.000	300,000	0	1,083,459 12,450,555
MISSISSIPPI	6,841,836	327,847	150,000	1.653.486	68,465	1,775,557	0	134 000	. 0	1,055,410	94 143	0	881,476 0	359 052	0	263,000	300,000		12,459,796
MISSOURI	8,513,394	231.729	150,000	2,613,656	******	1,630,956	ō	134,000	ō	829,662	82.244	Ö	ō	0	ō	ō	ā	770.000	14,955,641
MONTANA	2,609,865	145.016	0	0	502,882	302,995	0	0	0	0	63,428	0		0	0	749,882	O	0	4,374,068
NEBRASKA NEVADA	5,085,448	234,608 56,308	199,000	0	0	537,802	0	134,000	1,425,600	0	46,536	0		0	0	170,000	1,200,000	0	7,607,394
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1.215.105 1.683.228	56.308 68.408	0	0	74,458	190,336 242,239	0	100,000 134,000	0	0	48,071 46,536	0		0	0	0			•1,684,278 2.174,411
NEW JERSEY	2.661,108	160.408	ő	ő	0	1,093,780	0	134,000	ŏ	0	46.536	0	. 0	0	0	0	Č	. 0	4,095.832
NEW MEXICO	2.185,524	68.408	0	0	160,000	523,414	ŏ	134,000	ŏ	ō	68,036	0	. 0	0	ō	255,000	d	0	3,394,382
NEW YORK	8,622,772	225,031	0	0	0	3,495,579	. 0	284,000	0	0	92.607	633,600	0	0	0	0	(0	13,353,589
NORTH CAROLINA NORTH DAKOTA	11,968,647	351,757 100 407	0	3,013,238	70,000	2,582,086	0	134,000	0	1,048,835	106,815		0	0	. 0	0	9	0	19,275,378
NORTHERN MARIANAS	3,468,613 845,837	24,407	0	0	103,357 0	343,274 100,000	0	134,000	0	0	46,536 0			0	0	771,000	,		4,967,187 970, 244
OHO	10.218,000	234,607	0	ő	0	2,211,804	ŏ	134,000	0		64,964	0	. 0	0	0	0) 0	12,863,375
OKLAHOMA	5,480,926	232.977	199,000	1,576,743	101,604	1,141,711	ō	0	ō	876,610	68,423	0		326,000	ō	ō	. (0	10,003,994
OREGON	3.784.641	194,507	0	0	64,000	514.427	0	123,543	0	0	91,071		. 0	0	0	0	t c	0	4,772,189
PENNSYLVANIA PUERTO RICO	9,779,933 6,371,892	229,513 49,707	199,000	0	0	2.703.486 1.497.175	0	134,000	0	0	88.000	0		0	0	0	(0	13,133,932 8,018,774
RHODE ISLAND	1,023,977	56,307	0	0	0	307,546	0	100,000	0	0	0 46,536			0	0	0		0	1,434,366
SOUTH CAROLINA	5,557,596	212.088	ō	1,502,479	0	1,598,967	ō	134,000	ō	820,868	116.315		Ö	0	ő	ō		0	9,942,313
SOUTH DAKOTA	3,494,354	100,407	0	0	176,083	387,808	0	134,000	0	. 0	46,536		0	272,800	0	169,999	(0	4,781,987
TENNESSEE	9,231,621	193.244	150,000	2,315,911	0	2,044.234	0	100,000	0	978.314	172,443	q	0	0	0	0		. 0	15,185,767
TEXAS UTAH	12,806,113 1,806,541	744,104 68,407	0 199,000	3,330,264	0	4,319,959	0	134,000	0	1,312,733	112,957	0	0 040 004	0	0	0	1,200,000	0	23,960,130 3,468,721
VERMONT	1,806,541	56.307	180,000	0	0	321.295 236 919	0	104,010	n	0	49.607 46.536		919,861	n	U 0	n			3,468,721
VIRGIN ISLANDS	891,342	24,407	0	ō	ŏ	100,000	ō	134,000	ő	0	11.137	Č	0	ő	0	0		0	1,160,886
VIRGINIA	7,105,737	134,507	199,000	1,959,453	0	1,763,103	0		0	904,620	100,672	Č	0	0	0	0	i	0 0	12,167,092
WASHINGTON	4,260,345	134,507	140.000	4 400 000	88,709	712.496	0	134,000	0	0	78.786	0	0	0	0	185,000	1,200,000		6,793,843
WEST VIRGINIA WISCONSIN	4,032,856 8,549,380	56,307 192,069	149,992 723,640	1,120,207	0	1,058,684	0	134,000	. 0	737,333	136.958 77.250		0	334,403 0	0	268,000		0 0	7,760,740 10,774,621
WYOMING	1,552,095	68.407	164,608	ů	105,660	192,432	0		. 0	0	51.143		, ,	0	0	200,000		0 0	2,134,345
OTHER	0	0	0	ō	0	0	ō	ò	i	ō	0		0	0	ō	0)	0 0	0
PEER PANEL/CSAA	0	0	979	0	0	0	697	273,823		0	0		0	909	0	15,756		0 0	292,164
REIMBURSABLE	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0		·	0	0	0	0	1	0 0	0
SUBTOTAL	277,884,900	9,465,984	4,336,675	33,796,800	2,880,000	63,197,160	421,977	7,344,691	1,425,600	16,105,920	3,858,624	1,900,800	3,865,152	1,867,536	. 0	3,188,160	4,800,000	960,000	437,299,979
FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION	7,635,100	394,416	180,695	1,408,200	120,000	340,840	17,583	306,029	59,400	671,080	160,776	79,200	161,048	77,814	7,016.000	132,840	200.00	0 40,000	19,001,021
SUBTOTAL OBLIGATIONS	285,520,000	9,860,400	4.517.370	35,205,000	3.000.000	63,538,000	439,560	7,650,720	1,485,000	16.777.000	4,019,400	1.980.000	4,026,200	1.945,350	7,016,000	3,321,000	5,000,000	1.000.000	456,301,000
UNOBLIGATED BALANCE	45,000	0	0	0	0	0	0) 0	0	() (.,	.,,)	0 0	45,000
TOTAL	285,565,000	9,860,400	4,517,370	35,205.000	3,000,000	63,538,000	439,560	7,650,720	1,485,000	16,777,000	4,019,400	1,980,000	4,026,200	1,945,350	7,016,000	3,321,000	5,000,00	0 1,000,000	456,346,000

Table 2A For FY 2008

Distribution of Federal Payments for Extension at Cooperative Extension Service

STATE	SMITH-LEVER FORMULA	PEST MGMT	FARM	1890's UNIV & TUSK UNIV (EA)	INDIAN RESERVATION <u>PROGRAM</u>	EFNEP	OUTH FARM SAFETY EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION	YOUTH AT <u>RISK</u>	NEW . TECHNOLOGIES AT AG EXT	1890 FACILITIES	RENEWABLE RESOURCES	GRANTS TO YOUTH SERVING INSTITUTIONS	SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE	RURAL HEALTH & SAFETY	FEDERAL ADM-SPECIAL PROJECTS	INDIAN TRIBAL 1994 COLLEGES	TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS
ALABAMA	0	0	o	0	0	0	0	a	0	0	0	0		a	0	0	
ALASKA	ō	ō	. 0	ő	ō	0	Q Q	0	ů	ű	0	0	ō	ő	o	o	o o
AMERICAN SAMOA	0	0	a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ARIZONA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ARKANSAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
California Colorado	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONNECTICUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Q .	0
DELAWARE	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	u o	0	0
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Ŏ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0
FLORIDA	0	0	0	ā	ō	0	0	0	o	ő	. 0	o o	ő	o	0	ů	o
GEORGIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0
GUAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HAWAII	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ū	6
IDAHO ILLINOIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	á	0	0	0	0	a	0	0	0	0	0
INDIANA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0	U	0	0	0	0	0		. 0	. 0	0	0	0	U 0
KANSAS	o o	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	0	0	0
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MARYLAND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0) () (0	0	0	0	0
Massachusetts Michigan	0	0	0	Q	0	0	0	0	a	0) . () (0	0	0	0	0
MICRONESIA	0.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9) ()	0	0	0	0	0
MINNESOTA	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0		, () (0	0	0	0
MISSISSIPPI	ů	0	o	o o	o o	0	0	0	a			, () 0	0	0	0	0
MISSOURI	0	0	0	0	0	ō	0	0	ō	Č) (, ,	ō	ā	ō	ō
MONTANA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	a	Ċ	9	0 () a	o	0	0	G
NEBRASKA	0	0	0	0	0	Q	G	0	0	() (0 (0	0	0	a	G
NEVADA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(0 (0 (0	0	0	0	0
NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW JERSEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(0 (0 (0	0	0	0	0
NEW MEXICO	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	. (0 (0 (0	0	0	6	0
NEW YORK	0	0	0	u o	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	0		0	0
NORTH CAROLINA	o o	0	0	0	0		0	0				0	1 0			0	0
NORTH DAKOTA	0	ō	o	ő	o	9	. 0	0	0		0	0	0 0	0	. 0	o	ŏ
NORTHERN MARIANAS	0	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0		0	0	0 0	ō	i a	ū	Ö
оню	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0 0	0	0	0	0
OKLAHOMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	,	0	0	0 0	C	0	0	0
OREGON PENNSYLVANIA	0	0	0	0	0	o o	0	0	0		0	0	0 0	Q.	0	0	. 0
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TENNESSEE	0	a	0	0	0	(0	C	0		0	0	0 0	(0	0	0
TEXAS	0	0	0	a	0	(0	0	0		0	0	0 0	(0	0	0
UTAH VERMONT	0	0	0	0	0	(0		0			0	0	. (0	0	0
VERMONT VIRGIN ISLANDS	0	0	0	0	0	(0	0	. 0		0	u .	u 0	(ນ 0 ກ ຄ		0
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WEST VIRGINIA	. 0	0	0	0	0	Č	0	Ċ	0		0	0	0 0		0 0	0	0
WISCONSIN	0	0	0	0	0	(0	(0		0	0	0 0		a a	0	0
WYOMING	0	0	0	0	0	((0		0	0	0 0	4	0 0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	. 0	0			(-	0	0 0		0 0	. 0	0
PEER PANEL/CSAA REIMBURSABLE	0	0	0	0	0	9		(0		-	0	0 0		u 0	0	. 0
KEMBUKSABLE		<u>v</u>		0	0		. 0		0		0	U	0 0		<u> </u>		
SUBTOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	•	0	(9 0		0	0	0 0		0 0	0	0
FEDERAL ADMIN	7,352,950	391,640	189,040	1,434,000	119,160	421,60	18,520	318,72	59,000	690,68	30 160,32	20 69,48	182,720	69,52	0 7,250,000	131,920	18,859,270
SUBTOTAL OBLIGATIONS	7,352,950	391,640	189,040	1,434,000	119,160	421,60	18,520	318,72	0 59,000	690,68	30 160,32	20 69,48	182,720	69,52	8 7,250,080	131,920	18,859,270
UNDISTRIBUTED	267,307,050	9,399,360	4,536,960	34,416,000	2,859,840	65,135,40	0 444,480	7,649,28	0 1,416,000	16,576,32	20 3,847,61	80 1,667,52	20 4,385,280	1,668,48	0 9,822,000	3,166,080	434,297,730
TOTA	L 274,660,000	9,791,000	4,726,000	35,850,000	2,979,000	65,557,00	0 463,000	7,968,00	0 1,475,000	17,267,00	00 4,008,00	00 1,737,00	0 4,568,000	1,738,00	0 17,072,000	3,298,000	453,157,000

Table 3A For FY 2009
Distribution of Extension Activities Funds by State and Program

Distribution of Extension Activities Funds by State and Program																		
		1890's Univ.		ith Farm Safety		New				Indian		Rural		Indian	Grants to	Feder		Total
	Smith-Lever	& Tusk.		ducation and	Farm	Technologies	Sustainable	Pest		Reservation	Renewable	Health &	1890	Tribal 1994	Youth Serving			Federal
STATE	Formula	Univ. (ea)	Risk	Certification	Safety	for Ag Extension	Agriculture	Management	EFNEP	Program.	Resources	Safety	<u>Facilities</u>	Colleges	Institutions	Proje	<u>.ts</u>	Funds
45 40 4164	• ((70.400	2 204 700							1.050.104			٠		•	•			11.070.000
ALABAMA ALASKA	\$ 6,672,400	3,324,788	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,973,104	0	0	0	0	U	0		0	11,970,292 1,251,714
AMER. SAMOA	1,072,828 824,002	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	178,886	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	892,438
ARIZONA	1,961,733	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68,436 612,391	0	0	٠	0	0	0		0	2,574,124
ARKANSAS		1,484,784	0	0		· ·	U	•	1,257,834	0	•	. 0	0	0	0		0	2,374,124 8,418,904
CALIFORNIA	5,676,286	1,484,784	0	. 0	0	0	0	0		0	0	. 0	0	U A	0		0	
	6,831,404	U	0	0.	0	0	0	0	3,624,125	0	0		0	U	0		0	10,455,529
COLORADO	2,910,786	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	578,113	0	. 0		0	0	0		0	3,488,899
CONNECTICUT DELAWARE	1,952,717	1,040,974	0	0	0	0	0	0	466,755	0	0		0	0	0		0	2,419,472
DC	1,199,517 1,050,665	1,040,574	0	0	U	0	0	0	226,495	0	0		0	0	0		0	2,466,986
FLORIDA	4,527,144	1 422 500	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,148,787	0	0		0	0	0		0	3,224,475 6,029,452
GEORGIA	7,572,585	1,433,509 2,013,650	•	0	0	0	0	•		0	U		U	0	0		0	9,853,059
GUAM	875,646	2,013,030	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,173,810 68,799	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	1,177,415
HAWAH	1,209,734	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	266,824	0) 0	0	0	0		0.	3,393,213
IDAHO	2,630,246	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	301,769	. 0	U) 0	0	0	0		0.	3,840,802
ILLINOIS	9,137,952	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0) 0	0	0	0		0	10,035,850
INDIANA	8,187,013	0	0	v	U		0	0	2,183,479	0) 0	. 0	0	0		0	8,885,243
IOWA	8,993,269	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	1,210,556 897,898	0		-	0	0	0		0	10,655,111
KANSAS	5,412,637	0	0	0	0		0	0	698,230	0			0	0	0		0	7,293,430
KENTUCKY	8,950,678	2,522,551	0	0	0		0	0	1,661,842	0		, ,	0	0	0		ō	11,898,572
LOUISIANA	5,212,080	1,354,501	0	0	0		0	0	1,880,793	0		, ,	0		0		0	7,423,567
MAINE	2,127,575	0	0	0		. 0	0	0	425,343	0		1 0	0	0			0	3,119,395
MARYLAND	3,218,778	1,079,515	0	. 0		. 0	0	0	856,986	0		, ,	0	0	0		o o	6,112,476
MASSACHUSETTS	2,429,114	1,077,515	ň	Ů		. 0	0	0	991,820	0		0	Ů	0	, o		0	2,507,075
MICHIGAN	8,385,001	0	0	0			0	0	1,814,183	0	ì	0	0	0			0	9,383,286
MICRONESIA	910,392	0	0	0			0	0	77,961	0	,	0	0		•		0	2,611,760
MINNESOTA	8,797,814	0	0	0			0	0	998,285	0	ì	0 0	0	Č			0	10,357,205
MISSISSIPPI	6,650,753	1,604,095	0	0	,		0	0	1,701,368	0		0 0	0			1	Ö	8,559,338
MISSOURI	8,122,538	2,526,185	0	0	,	, ,	0	0	1,559,391	0		0 0	0	č		,)	0	11,189,178
MONTANA	2,480,609	2,520,105	0	0	í) 0	0	o o	304,490	0		0 0	. 0	ć		,	ō	2,671,884
NEBRASKA	4,868,574	0	0	0			0	0	540,455	0		0 0	0	ì)	Ô	5,112,008
NEVADA	1,162,176	ñ	0	0	,	,	0	0	191,275	0		0 0	0	Č)	ō	2,261,352
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1,594,075	ů	0	0	(0	0	243,434	0		0 0	ů	·		,)	Ô	2,120,071
NEW JERSEY	2,558,983	0	0	0	,		0	0	1,099,176	0		0 0	0		, ,)	0	6,071,808
NEW MEXICO	2,108,010	0	0	ů	ì		0	o	525,996	0		0 0	n	ì) ()	Õ	4,632,528
NEW YORK	8,309,007	0	0	0	ì		0	0	3,512,825	0		0 0	0	ì) ()	Ô	8,653,975
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S. CAROLINA	5,335,610	1,454,573	0	0		0 0	0	0	1,524,268	0		0 0	0		0	0	0	8,767,910
S. DAKOTA	3,337,835	1,151,575	0	0		0 0	0	ő	389,722	0		0 0	o o		n i	0	0	7,671,662
TENNESSEE	8,843,167	2,241,445	0	0		0 0	0	0	1,977,727	0		0 0	0		0	0	0	11,407,492
TEXAS	12,168,469	3,199,389	0	0		0 0	0	. 0	4,333,827	n		0 0	0		0 :	0	0	15,605,946
UTAH	1,716,069	0,177,507	n	0		0 0	0	0	322,880	0		0 0	ō		0	0	0	1,783,821
VERMONT	1,685,384	n	. 0	ō		0 0	0	ō	238,088	0		0 0	0		0	0	0	3,378,133
VIRGIN ISLANDS	849,715	0	0	0		0 0	0	0	67,752	0		0 0	. 0		0	0	0	1,565,726
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CLASSIFICATION BY OBJECTS

Extension Activities 2007 Actuals and Estimated 2008 and 2009

Personnel Compensation:	2007	2008	2009
Washington, D.C.	\$11,704,233 0	\$12,253,000 0	\$13,568,000 0
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11 Total personnel compensation	11,704,233	12,253,000	13,568,000
12 Personnel benefits	2,906,094	3,043,000	3,372,000
13 Benefits for former personnel	2,332	3,000	3,000
Total pers. comp. & benefits	14,612,659	15,299,000	16,943,000
Other Objects:			
21 Travel	942,142	960,000	979,000
22 Transportation of Things	12,324	13,000	13,000
23.0 Rent and Communications	13,252	14,000	14,000
23.2 Rent Paid to others	43,247	44,000	45,000
23.3 Communications, Utilities, etc	340,678	347,000	354,000
24 Printing and Reproduction	760,697	775,000	791,000
25.0 Other Services	544,206	555,000	566,000
25.1 Advisory & assist. Services	336,190	343,000	349,000
25.2 Other Services (Training)	116,521	119,000	121,000
25.3 Purchases of G&S from Govt	53,306	54,000	56,000
25.4 Operation and Maintenance of facilities	138,127	141,000	143,000
25.5 Research and Development Contracts	2,462,151	3,380,000	2,431,000
25.6 ADP Services and Supplies (NFC)	17,066	17,000	18,000
25.7 Operation and maintenance of equipment	73,629	75,000	77,000
25.8 Subsistence and support of persons	24,261	25,000	25,000
26 Supplies	271,217	276,000	282,000
31 Equipment	253,968	259,000	263,000
41 Grants, Contracts, etc.	435,264,768	435,441,000	413,263,000
43 Interest Prompt Payment	20,591	20,000	20,000
Total other objects	441,688,341	442,858,000	419,810,000
Total direct obligations a/	456,301,000	458,157,000	436,753,000
Position Data:			
Average Salary, ES	\$156,976	\$162,470	\$167,182
Average Salary, GS	\$83,908	\$86,845	\$89,364
Average Grade, GS	11.5	11.5	11.5

STATUS OF PROGRAM

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES:

Current Activities:

- 1. Smith-Lever 3(b) and (c). Federal contributions for cooperative extension work are primarily derived from Section 3(b) and (c) formula funds appropriated under the Smith-Lever Act of 1914. These funds comprise about two-thirds of the total Federal funding for extension activities. Federal funds are matched by non-Federal sources, primarily States and counties, and support the major educational efforts that are central to the mission of the Cooperative Extension System and common to most extension units, such as agricultural production; nutrition, diet, and health; natural resources and environmental management; community resources and economic development; family development and resource management; 4-H and youth development; and leadership and volunteer development. Smith-Lever 3(b) and (c) funds must be matched by non-Federal funds. As a result of provisions contained in the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, States must expend 25 percent, or two times the level spent in fiscal year 1997 (whichever is less), on cooperative extension activities in which two or more States cooperate to solve problems that concern more than one State. This also applies to activities that integrate cooperative research and extension. These requirements can be met concurrently.
- 2. Smith-Lever 3(d). Other sources of Federal funding for extension activities include the Smith-Lever section 3(d) or targeted funds, which are provided to the States to address special programs or concerns of regional and national importance and are distributed through administrative or non-statutory formulas and merit-reviewed projects. The following extension programs are funded under the Smith-Lever 3(d) funding mechanism: Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP); Pest Management; Farm Safety; Children, Youth, and Families At Risk; Federally-Recognized Tribes Extension Program; Sustainable Agriculture; Youth Farm Safety Education and Certification, and New Technologies for Agricultural Extension. EFNEP funds are distributed on a formula basis and are not required to be matched. Funds under other Smith-Lever 3(d) programs are distributed under administratively-based formulas or by a competitive process. There is a matching funds requirement under some of the programs.
- 3. Payments to the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions and Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University. Federal funding provides the primary support for the extension programs at the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions and Tuskegee University. The general provisions section 753 of Public Law 107-76 makes West Virginia State University eligible to receive funds under this program. This program primarily addresses the needs of small-scale and minority agricultural producers and other limited-resource audiences. Section 1444 of the 1977 Farm Bill provides that the funds made available to the 1890's for extension programs be distributed on the basis of a formula identical to the Smith-Lever 3 (b) & (c) formula. Section 7203(a) of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 requires that beginning in FY 2003, funds appropriated for this program shall be not less than 15 percent of the Smith-Lever Act appropriation. The payment of funds under this program requires a 100 percent non-Federal match. These funds are used to maintain the extension infrastructure at the 1890 institutions and the partnership with the Cooperative Extension System.
- 4. <u>1890 Facilities Program</u>. Federal funds provide the primary support for enhanced extension, research, and teaching facilities at all of the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions. Some examples of the use of funds include the renovation of office space and laboratories; much needed computer and equipment purchases; the acquisition of satellite downlinking and distance learning capabilities; and

the construction of joint research and extension multi-purpose/conference centers. The 1890 Facilities Program enables the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions to improve their capacity and better address the needs of students, farmers, and rural populations with limited resources.

- 5. Renewable Resources Extension Act (RREA). The RREA Program provides funding for expanded natural resource education programs. Funds are distributed by an administratively-derived formula to all States for educational programs and projects. The Cooperative Extension System provides research-based education about renewable natural resources. Extension education enables the management of renewable natural resources in a way that better serves individual land owners, local communities, and the Nation.
- 6. <u>Ag in the Classroom</u>. The program helps to advance agricultural literacy through a grassroots network of State coordinators, school teachers, agribusiness leaders, and other educators by supporting initiatives that include expanding outreach to underrepresented populations; regional demonstration projects; integration of information technology to reduce program delivery costs; and outstanding teacher recognition initiatives.
- 7. <u>Extension Services at 1994 Institutions</u>. The program provides funding for Native American communities and Tribal Colleges for extension activities as set forth in the Smith Lever Act. Funding is awarded on a competitive basis.

Selected Examples of Recent Progress:

- 1. Smith-Lever 3(b) and (c). Local milk quality teams in Wisconsin are building capacity among farm service professionals who provide ongoing support for preventive mastitis management. As a result, producers are adopting best management practices such as performing bulk tank cultures; culturing for clinical mastitis; keeping better treatment records; developing standard, written milking routines; wearing gloves during milking; and consulting with dairy professionals and using team management. On average, the 113 dairies working with University of Wisconsin-Extension Milk Money teams each decreased their herd's clinical mastitis cases and improved monthly milk income by more than \$1,000. These families will receive a total \$116,730 more per month and about \$1.3 million a year if improvements continue.
- 2. <u>Smith-Lever 3 (d)</u>. EFNEP helps Americans improve their overall health and well-being by learning and adopting healthier eating habits. In 2006, 92 percent of adult participants reported healthier diets by eating more fruits and vegetables by 1.4 servings per day. Similarly, 71 percent of youth participants reported eating a wider variety of food, with 69 percent stating their knowledge of the essentials of human nutrition had increased. EFNEP programs in **North Dakota** resulted in 85 percent of elementary students reporting a continued increase in calcium and milk intake after two months of the "Think Your Drink" lesson.
- 3. <u>1890 Institutions</u>. Prices for pulpwood in southern Mississippi reached an all time low of \$5 a ton in August 2004, causing farmers to look for alternatives for low pulpwood prices and tree removal compensation. To help producers in Pike and Walthall counties in Mississippi, 44 limited-resource individuals were trained in the alternative enterprise of shiitake mushroom production. The pre- and post-test results revealed 100 percent of the training participants gained substantial knowledge of shiitake mushroom production.

The estimates include appropriation language for this item as follows (new language underscored; deleted matter enclosed in brackets).

Integrated Activities

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For the integrated research, education, and extension grants programs, including necessary 1 administrative expenses, [\$56,244,000] \$20,120,000, as follows: [for competitive grants programs authorized under section 406 of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7626), \$42.286,000, including \$12,738,000 for the water quality program, \$14,699,000 for the food safety program, \$4,125,000 for the regional pest management centers program, \$4,419,000 for the Food Quality Protection Act risk mitigation program for major food crop systems, \$1,375,000 for the crops affected by Food Quality Protection Act implementation, \$3,075,000 for the methyl bromide transition program, and \$1,855,000 for the organic transition program;] for a competitive international science and education grants program authorized under section 1459A of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3292b), to remain available until expended, [\$2,000,000] \$1,990,000; for grants programs authorized under section 2(c)(1)(B) of Public Law 89-106, as amended, [\$737,000] \$2,475,000, to remain available until September 30, [2009]2010, for the critical issues program; 2 [\$1,321,000] <u>\$1,378,000</u> for the regional rural development centers program; and [\$9,900,000] \$14,277,000 for the Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative authorized under section 1484 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Act of 1977, to remain available until September 30, [2009]2010. (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)(1)(B), 3292b, 3351, 7626; Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008.)

The first change deletes language for competitive grants programs authorized under section 406 of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7626).

The second and third changes allow these funds to remain available until September 30, 2010.

Lead-Off Tabular Statement

INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES

Appropriations Act, 2008 Budget Estimate, 2009 Decrease in Appropriation	<u>20,120,000</u>
Adjustments in 2008: Appropriations Act, 2008	
Adjusted base for 2008	• •
Budget Estimate, Current Law, 2009.	
Decrease over adjusted 2008.	<u>-33,/30,000</u>

a/ The amount is rescinded pursuant to Division A, Title VII Section 752 of P.L. 110-161.

Summary of Increases and Decreases

Item of Change	2007 Estimated	Pay Costs	Program <u>Changes</u>	2008 <u>Budget</u>
Integrated Activities:				
Water Quality b/	\$ 12,649,000		\$-12,649,000	
Food Safety b/	14,596,000		-14,596,000	·
Regional Pest Management Center b/	4,096,000		- 4,096,000	
Crops at Risk From FQPA Implementation b/.	1,365,000		- 1,365,000	
FQPA Risk Mitigation Program for Major			, ,	
Food Crop System b/	4,388,000		- 4,388,000	
Methyl Bromide Transition b/	3,054,000		- 3,054,000	
Organic Transition Program b/	1,842,000		- 1,842,000	· ·
Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative				
(Homeland Security)	9,830,000		+ 4,447,000	\$14,277,000
International Science Education Grants	, ,		, ,	
Programs	1,986,000		+4,000	1,990,000
Critical Issues	732,000		+ 1,743,000	2,475,000
Rural Development Centers	1,312,000		+66,000	1,378,000
Total Available, Integrated				
Activities				
	<u>\$ 55,850,000</u>	= .	<u>-35,730,000</u>	<u>\$20,120,000</u>

b/ The funding for these programs is included in the National Research Initiative, at \$45,130,000, an increase of \$3,140,000 above the FY 2008 funding.

INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES

Project Statement (On basis of Appropriation)

	: 2007 Actual	:	2008 Estimated	:	:	2009 Estimated :	
	•	Staff:	:	Staff:	Increase or :	:	Staf
Project	: Amount	Years:	Amount :	Years:	Decrease :	Amount :	Year
Integrated Activities:	:	:	:	:	:	:	
	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative	:	:	:	:	:	:	
(Homeland Security)	: \$9,900,000 :	:	\$9,830,000:	:	+\$4,447,000:	\$14,277,000 :	
	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Water Quality	: 12,738,330 :	:	12,649,000:	:	-12,649,000 :	:	
	: :	:	:	:	:	:	
Food Safety	: 14,698,530 :	:	14,596,000 :	:	-14,596,000 :	:	
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Regional Pest Management	: :	:	:	:	:	:	
Centers	: 4,125,330 :	:	4,096,000:	:	-4,096,000 :	:	
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Organic Transition Program	.: 1,855,260 :	: '	1,842,000 :	:	-1,842,000:	:	
	: :	:	:	:	:	:	
FQPA Risk Mitigation Program for	: :	:	:	:	:	:	
Major Food Crop Systems	.: 4,419,360:	:	4,388,000 :	:	-4,388,000:	:	
	: :	:	:	:	:	:	
Crops at Risk from FQPA	: :	:	:	:	:	:	
Implementation	.: 1,375,110:	:	1,365,000 :	:	-1,365,000 :	:	
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Methyl Bromide Transition	: :	:	;	:	:	:	
Program	: 3,074,940 :	:	3,054,000 :	:	-3,054,000 :	:	
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Critical Issues - Plant and Animal	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Diseases	: 736,560 :	:	732,000 :	:	+1,743,000:	2,475,000 :	
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Regional Rural Development Centers	.: 1,320,660 :	:	1,312,000 :	:	+66,000 :	1,378,000 :	
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nternational Science and	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Education Grants	.: 990,000 :	:	1,986,000 :	:	+4,000 :	1,990,000 :	
Total Available or Estimate	.: 55,234,080 :	8 :	55,850,000 :	8 :	-35,730,000 :	20,120,000 :	
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COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND EXTENSION SERVICE INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES

Project Statement (On basis of Available Funds)

:	2007 Actual	:	2007 CR Amount:	:		2009 Estimated	
:	:		:	Staff:	Increase or :	:	Staff
Project :	Amount :		Amount :	10010 .	Decrease :	Amount :	10410
Integrated Activities:	:	:	;	:	:	:	
	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative :	;	:		;	:		
(Homeland Security)	\$9,900,000 :	:	\$9,830,000 :	:	+4,447,000 :	\$14,277,000 :	
Water Quality	12,738,330 :		12,649,000 :	•	-12,649,000 :		
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Food Safety:	14,683,530 :	:	14,596,000 :	:	-14,596,000 :	:	
:	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Regional Pest Management :	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Centers:	4,125,330 :	· :	4,096,000 :	:	-4,096,000 :	:	
:	;	:	:	:	:	:	
Organic Transition Program:	1,855,260 :	:	1,842,000 :	:	-1,842,000 :	:	
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FQPA Risk Mitigation Program for :	4,419,360 :	:	4,388,000 :	:	-4,388,000 :	:	
Major Food Crop Systems:	4,419,300 .	:	4,388,000 .	:	-4,588,000 :	:	
Crops at Risk from FQPA	•	•	•	:	:	:	
Implementation	1,375,110 :	•	1,365,000 :	•	-1,365,000 :		
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Methyl Bromide Transition :	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Program:	3,074,940:	:	3,054,000:	:	-3,054,000 :	:	
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Critical Issues - Plant and Animal :	• :	:	:	:	:	:	
Diseases:	49,233 :	:	732,000 :	:	+1,743,000:	2,475,000 :	
Carryover:	:	:	687,327 :	:	-687,327 :	:	
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Regional Rural Development Centers:	1,320,660 :	:	1,312,000 :	:	+66,000 :	1,378,000 :	
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International Science and : Education Grants	39,600 :	:	1,986,000 :	:	: +4,000 :	1,990,000 :	
Carryover	39,000 :	•	1,052,703 :	:	-1,052,703 :	1,990,000 :	
Carryover	•	•	1,052,705 :	•	-1,032,703 :		
Total Obligations Estimate	53,581,353 :	8:	57,590,030 :	8 :	-37,470,030 :	20,120,000 ;	4
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Unobligated Balance:	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Available, start of year:	-450,867 :	:	-1,740,030 :	:	+1,740,030 :	:	
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Lapsing:	+15,000 :	:	:	:	:	:	
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Available, end of year:	+1,766,030 :	:	:	:	:	:	
Prior Year Recoveries	+331,564	:	:		:	:	
Thor rear Recoveries	+331,304	:	:		•	•	
Total Available or Estimate:	55,243,080 :	8:	55,850,000 :	8:	35,730,000 :	20,120,000 :	4
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Total Appropriation:	55,243,080 :	8 :	56,244,000 :	:			

Justification of Increases and Decreases

Integrated Activities

(1) A decrease of \$41,990,000 to transfer funding for Section 406 programs (\$41,990,000 available in 2008) as follows:

In FY 2009, the budget proposes that Section 406 activities, formerly supported under the Integrated Activities account, be supported within the Research and Education account. These activities will be funded at \$45.130 million and administered through the National Research Initiative. (New program initiatives are described in the NRI section of these notes.) The administration of these programs under the NRI is a means to streamline the CSREES budget portfolio. Since FY 2003, CSREES was authorized to use a percentage of the NRI funds for integrated research, education, and extension activities. In FY 2009, CSREES proposes a change in the general provisions that will increase the amount provided for the NRI that may be used for competitive integrated activities from a maximum of 26 percent to a maximum of 30 percent. The programs are as follows:

	FY 2008	Decrease	FY 2009
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
Water Quality	\$12,649	-\$12,649	\$0
Food Safety	14,596	-14,596	0
Regional Pest Management Centers	4,096	-4,096	0
Crops at Risk from FQPA Implementation	1,365	-1,365	0
FQPA Risk Mitigation Program for			
Major Food Crop Systems	4,388	-4,388	0
Methyl Bromide Transition Program	3,054	-3,054	0
Organic Transition Program	1,842	1,842	_0
Total	\$41,990	-\$41,990	\$0

(2) An increase of \$4,447,000 for the Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative activities (\$9,830,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The proposed increase under the Food and Agriculture Defense will address the Asian Soybean Rust Pest Information Platform for Education & Extension. This program would utilize \$2,277,000 to continue the maintenance and enhancement of pest risk management tools for Asian soybean rust and other pathogens of legumes. The ultimate goal is to equip stakeholders with effective decision support tools and information for managing pests and diseases of legume crops, particularly soybean rust.

In 2005, USDA facilitated the development of a Federal/State/industry coordinated framework for surveillance, reporting, prediction, and management during the 2005 growing season. Although it was effective, it was designed primarily to deal with soybean rust and then only for the first year of the invasion. Now that the pathogen is endemic to the U.S., a broader and more sustainable system is needed, which will address not only soybean rust, but also other pathogens of lesser served crops, such as dry beans, dry peas, and organic soybean.

The National Plant Diagnostic Network, Regional Integrated Pest Management Centers, and subcontractors will assist producers in making intelligent and informed decisions on pest and disease control measures. These better informed decisions will reduce pesticide input costs, will lessen the environmental burden of pesticides, and will render production more economical. In addition, we anticipate that this system will yield real-time data for use in diagnostics, and will provide more accurate data for policy decisions. It also will result in more effective outreach to

growers, users, and practitioners, including those USDA professionals dealing with crop insurance and risk management, allowing them to be more effective in making decisions.

The National animal and plant diagnostic laboratory networks continue identifying exotic and domestic pests and pathogens that are a concern to the security of our food and other agricultural production systems. The program will utilize \$2,170,000 to assist the diagnostic laboratories in responding effectively to pest and pathogen threats. It may be used to deploy new diagnostic tools as they become available.

The primary performance measure will be a review score of the portfolio to which the program contributes. CSREES has created portfolios or programs, each encompassing a set of continuing CSREES-funded activities broadly focused on a current and/or emerging issue of societal importance and which serves the foundation for agency planning and evaluation. These portfolios are subject to rigorous assessment by experts on an annual and periodic (5-year) basis to determine the extent to which they are making progress toward solving targeted national problems. A recently implemented assessment tool will be used to review the portfolio's relevance, quality, and performance, assigning a quantitative score to its performance. This score serves as the primary performance measure for CSREES-funded activities and is the most suitable measure of performance for this program.

(3) An increase of \$1,813,000 for other Integrated Programs (\$4,030,000 available in 2008) as follows:

		Increase or	
	FY 2008	Decrease	FY 2009
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
International Science and Education			
Grants Program	\$1,986	\$4	\$1,990
Critical Issues	732	1,743	2,475
Regional Rural Development Centers	<u>1,312</u>	<u>66</u>	1,378
Total	\$4,030	\$1,813	\$5,843

The proposed action restores individual programs to the FY 2008 President's budget level. Funding at these levels will continue to provide support for these activities.

INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

	Critical Issues -		Organic Research	International	Crops at Risk	FQPA Risk Mitigation				Regional Pest	Rural		TOTAL
	Plant and Animal	Homeland	and Extension	Education	from FQPA	Program for Major			Organic Transition	Management			FEDERAL
STATE	Diseases	Security	Initiative	Grants	Implementation	Food Crop System	Food Safety	Methyl Bromide	Risk Assessment	Centers	Centers	Water Quality	FUNDS
ALABAMA	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	152,010	0	0	0	152,010
ARIZONA	0	310,000	0	0	0	0	0	884,330	0	0	0	550,000	1,744,330
CALIFORNIA	0	1,140,000	0	0	403,175	0	599,997	802,835	0	981,479	0	0	3,927,486
COLORADO	0	300,000	0	0	111,636	39,890	0	0	0	0	0	757,000	1,208,526
CONNECTICUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	399,000	399,000
FLORIDA GEORGIA	0	1,130,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	414,591	0	0	0	1,544,591
IDAHO	0	300,000	0	0	0	0	2,804,157	0	0	0	0	575,000	3,679,157
ILLINOIS	0	5,000	0	0	0	0	598,926	0	. 0	0	0	734,601	1,333,527
INDIANA	0	760.000	0	0	. 0	624,606	0	0	0	981,479	0	575,000	2,186,085
IOWA	0	300,000	0	0	Ü	0	599,972	U	0	0	0	554,000	1,913,972
KANSAS	0	920,000	500,698	0	0	0	509,252 599,265	0	0	0	314,317	575,000	1,698,569
KENTUCKY	0	50,000	00,098	0	0	0.	599,∠65 ∩	0	0	0	0	0	2,019,963
LOUISIANA	0	300,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50,000
MAINE	0	000,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	297,100	0	0	0	300,000 297,100
MARYLAND	ŏ	. 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	297,100	0	0	603,000	603,000
MICHIGAN	Ô	1,029,000	139,813	0	0	1,500,000	578,681	612,199	0	0	0	003,000	3,859,693
MINNESOTA	Ô	50.000	747,993	0	0	1,500,000	0,001	012,133	0	0	0	0	797.993
MISSISSIPPI	Ô	50,000	0 0	ñ	0	0	0	612,199	0	0	314,318	0	976,517
MISSOURI	ō	00,000	0	Ö	. 0	ő	598,914	012,133	0	0	0	0	598,914
MONTANA	Ŏ	0	-	ő	ő	425,880	000,514	Õ	0	. 0	0	450,000	875,880
NEBRASKA	ō	50,000	755,937	ō	ő	0	Ö	Õ	0	ő	ő	450,000	1,255,937
NEW JERSEY	0	50,000	0	ō	ō	0	ō	Õ	ō	Õ	ő	700,000	750,000
NEW MEXICO	0	50,000	Ö	ō	ō	ō	599,691	o o	o o	Ö	ő	0	649,691
NEW YORK	0	1,130,000	0	0	Ō	Ö	599,984	0 .	Ö	ō	ō	ō	1,729,984
NORTH CAROLINA	0	300,000	0	0	277,306	0	0	0	Ō	981,841	ō	327,273	1,886,420
OHIO	0	50,000	0	0	. 0	0	2,500,000	0	858,507	0	o	0	3,408,507
OREGON	0	50,000	611,985	. 0	506,924	0	596,440	0	0	0	0	0	1,765,349
PENNSYLVANIA	0	70,000	0	0	0	980,804	0	0	0	981,478	314,317	0	2,346,599
RHODE ISLAND	0	0	0	0	0	0	480,264	0	. 0	0	0	1,207,000	1,687,264
SOUTH DAKOTA	0	50,000		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	200,000	250,000
TENNESSEE	0	50,000		0	0	0	599,814	0	0	0	0	0	649,814
TEXAS	0	300,000		0	0	612,199	1,054,258	0	0	. 0	0	1,245,000	3,211,457
UTAH	0	50,000	0	0	0	0	596,396	0	0	0	314,317	0	960,713
VIRGINIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	796,000	796,000
WASHINGTON	0	310,000		0	0	-	0	0	44,000	0	0	395,000	779,394
WISCONSIN	0	300,000		0	0		0	0	0	0	0	982,000	1,332,000
WYOMING	0	50,000		0			0	0	0	0	0	0	50,000
BIOTECH SBIR	2,093	0	0	0		,,000	13,254	3,837	0	0	0	8,371	34,880
PEER PANEL	17,678 0	0	0	0			117,588	24,600	14,842	33,003	10,565 0	101,907	366,539
FEER PANEL	, 0	0	43,180	0	10,064	16,527	63,736	11,942	U	1,037	0	43,645	190,131
Federal ADMIN													
Obligated	29,462	396,000	120,000	39,600	55,004	176,774	572,941	122,998	74,210	165,013	52,826	509,533	2,314,361
SUBTOTAL	49,233	9,900,000	3,000,000	39,600	1,375,110	4,419,360	14,683,530	3,074,940	1,855,260	4,125,330	1,320,660	12,738,330	56,581,353
CONTRACT	40,233	9,900,000	3,000,000	38,000	1,373,110	, 4,415,300	14,000,000	3,014,540	1,000,200	4, 120,000	1,020,000	12,700,000	
UNOBLIGATED	687,327	0	0	1,052,703		0	15,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,755,030
TOTAL	736,560	9,900,000	3,000,000	1,092,303	1,375,110	4,419,360	14,698,530	3,074,940	1,855,260	4,125,330	1,320,660	12,738,330	58,336,383

Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service

INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

TABLE 2B - FISCAL YEAR 2008

STATE	Critical Issues- Plant and Animal <u>Diseases</u>		FQPA Risk Food Crop System Program for Major Food Crop System	Food Safety	Methyl Bromide	Organic Transistion Risk Assessment	Regional Pest Management <u>Center</u>	Rural Development <u>Centers</u>	Soybean <u>Rust</u>	International Science and Education Grants	Water Quality	Homeland Security	Biotech Risk Assessment	TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	
SBIR	17,568	32,760	105,312	350,304	73,296	44,208	98,304	31,488	0	47,664	303,576	235,920	0	1,340,400	
BIOTECH RISK	0	0	o	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
FEDERAL ADMIN OBLIGATED	29,280	54,600	175,520	583,840	122,160	73,680	163,840	52,480	. 0	79,440	505,960	393,200	o .	2,234,000	
UNOBLIGATED	685,152	1,277,640	4,107,168	13,661,856	2,858,544	1,724,112	3,833,856	1,228,032	. 0	1,858,896	11,839,464	9,200,880	0	52,275,600	_
TOTAL	732,000	1,365,000	4,388,000	14,596,000	3,054,000	1,842,000	4,096,000	1,312,000	. 0	1,986,000	12,649,000	9,830,000	0	55,850,000	

TABLE 3B - FISCAL YEAR 2009 INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES

INTEGRATED PROGRAM

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STATE	Critical Issues- Plant and Animal <u>Diseases</u>		FQPA Risk Food Crop System Program for Major Food Crop System	Food Safety	Methyl Bromide	Organic Transistion Risk Assessment	Regional Pest Management Center	Rural Development <u>Centers</u>	Soybean <u>Rust</u>	International Science and Education Grants	Water Quality	Homeland Security	Biotech Risk Assessment	TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	
SBIR	19,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,024	0	15,920	0	114,216	0	160,960	
BIOTECH RISK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
FEDERAL ADMIN															
OBLIGATED	99,000	0	0 ,	0	0	0	0	55,120	0	79,600	0	571,080	0	804,800	
UNOBLIGATED	2,356,200	0	0	0	00	00	0	1,311,856	0	1.894,480	00	13,591,704	0	19,154,240	-
TOTAL	2,475,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,378,000	00	1,990,000	0	14,277,000	0	20,120,000	_

CLASSIFICATION BY OBJECTS

Integrated Activities 2007 Actuals and Estimated 2008 and 2009

Personnel Compensation:	2007	2008	2009
Washington, D.C.	\$981,011	\$981,000	\$407,000
Field	0	0	. 0
	001 011	001 000	407 000
11 Total personnel compensation	981,011	981,000	407,000
12 Personnel benefits	161,000 278	161,000 0	87,000
13 Benefits for former personnel	1,142,289	1,142,000	494,000
Other Objects:			
21 Travel	120,591	123,000	61,000
22 Transportation of Things	1,568	3,000	1,000
23.0 Rent and Communications	1,714	4,000	4,000
23.2 Rent Paid to others	5,648	6,000	1,000
23.3 Communications, Utilities, etc	41,448	51,000	6,000
24 Printing and Reproduction	93,690	31,000	9,000
25.0 Other Services	17,550	20,000	5,000
25.1 Advisory & assist. Services	131,436	49,000	7,000
25.2 Other Services (Training)	16,900	55,000	55,000
25.3 Purchases of G&S from Govt	9,021	5,000	2,000
25.4 Operation and Maintenance of facilities	19,009	10,000	2,000
25.5 Research and Development Contracts	330,450	706,000	102,000
25.6 ADP Services and Supplies (NFC)	2,042	3,000	3,000
25.7 Operation and maintenance of equipment	11,076	41,000	7,000
25.8 Subsistence and support of persons	5,968	6,000	6,000
26 Supplies	33,955	46,000	12,000
31 Equipment	33,892	38,000	14,000
41 Grants, Contracts, etc	54,561,886	58,250,000	19,328,000
43 Interest Prompt Payment	1,220	1,000	1,000
Total other objects	55,439,064	59,448,000	19,626,000
Total direct obligations a/	56,581,353	60,590,000	20,120,000
Position Data:			
Average Salary, ES	\$156,976	\$162,470	\$167,182
Average Salary, GS	\$83,908	\$86,845	\$89,364
Average Grade, GS	11.5	11.5	11.5

STATUS OF PROGRAM

INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES:

Current Activities:

- 1. Programs currently funded under the Integrated Activities account are Water Quality, Food Safety, Regional Pest Management Centers (formerly Pesticide Impact Assessment), Crops at Risk from Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) Implementation, Food Quality Protection Act Risk Mitigation Program for Major Food Crop Systems, Methyl Bromide Transition Program, and Organic Transition Program. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis to support integrated, multifunctional agricultural research, extension, and education activities. The International Science and Education Grants, Critical Issues, and Regional Rural Development Centers programs are administered under this account. The International Science and Education Grants program is conducted under the authority of Section 1459A of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, Public Law 95-113. The Critical Issues and Regional Rural Development Centers programs are conducted under the authority of Section 2(c)(1)(B) of Public Law 89-106, as amended (7 U.S.C. 450i(c)), which enables the agency to support research, extension or education activities.
- 2. The Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative Program under the authority of Section 1484 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 also is funded under this account. This program provides support for an unified network of public agricultural institutions to identify and respond to high risk biological pathogens in the food and agricultural system. The network is used to increase the ability to protect the Nation from disease threats by identifying, containing, and minimizing disease threats. The funds also are used to maintain and enhance pest risk management tools for Asian soybean rust and other pathogens of legumes.

Selected Examples of Recent Progress:

- 1. Food Safety Program. Foodborne illnesses have become a growing concern for the retail food industry. Utah State University has developed a Retail Food Safety Consortium to help the retail food industry as it faces shrinking budgets, new technologies, emerging pathogens and changing consumer demands. Comprised of food safety professionals from five land-grant universities—Utah State University, Purdue University (Indiana), Rutgers University (New Jersey), University of Arkansas, and North Carolina State University; professional societies; and government agencies, the Consortium aims to reduce the occurrences of foodborne illnesses in the U. S. through increased cooperation between retail food safety professionals, as well as, identifying and scientifically validating retail food safety practices. It will collect, develop, review, and distribute retail food safety resources and help identify and prioritize retail food safety needs. By encouraging cooperation among the retail food safety organizations, the Consortium hopes to maximize resources and minimize duplicative efforts.
- 2. Crops at Risk from FQPA Implementation Program. Michigan State University began research in summer 2007 to find an alternative insect management strategy for eastern U. S. vineyards. Michigan, Pennsylvania and New York wine and juice grape production are centered in sensitive lakeshore regions where organophosphates and carbamates are used for insect management programs. Proposed new regulations against the use of these pesticides could cause growers to face major economic impacts. Researchers will focus on developing a diverse set of effective, alternative management methods that will provide economic uses of pest control in the future, while having a low environmental impact on grape production. The overall result could lead to widespread use of alternative insect management uses, greater use of vineyard scouting activities and general reduction of FOPA-targeted insecticides.

- 3. FQPA Risk Mitigation Program. A Consortium for Integrated Management of Store Product Insect Pests was established through the collaboration between Kansas State University, Oklahoma State University, Purdue University (Indiana) and the USDA Grain Marketing and Production Research Center. The Consortium will focus on biological hazards that can occur from the farm to the table. By identifying the specific points of occurrence, researchers will identify methods of controlling the hazard and create ways to manage it. Overall, the Consortium seeks to provide useful recommendations for people to use throughout the range of their interaction with stored products.
- 4. Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative (FADI) Program. Through coordinated efforts at North Carolina State University, University of Florida and Kansas State University the project "Creation of National Training Program in Crop Biosecurity for First Detectors" currently is in development to establish a fully automated online training program for First Detectors. The training will teach First Detectors, like crop consultants and county agents, how to detect and report suspected acts of crop bioterrorism. With partial assistance from the National Plant Diagnostic Network (NPDN), educators have developed an on-line program that consists of six modules: 1) Mission of the NPDN; 2) Monitoring for High-risk Pests; 3) Diagnosing Plant Problems; 4) Submitting Diagnostic Samples; 5) Photography for Diagnostics; and, 6) Disease and Pest Scenarios. Each module takes 30-45 minutes to complete and has a 10 question learning assessment.

During the spring of 2007, Pennsylvania State University and the University of Maryland hosted the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Extension Disaster Education Network Regional Animal Agrosecurity Conference. The conference was the first of six regional conferences that allow attendees to discuss the roles of Extension and other agencies/organizations on animal agrosecurity within their region and to improve interagency communication. Sixty-five participants attended the event, representing the States of Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Vermont and Virginia. Clemson University (South Carolina), Colorado State University, North Dakota State University and the University of Missouri have scheduled similar regional conferences for 2008.

The estimates include appropriation language for this item as follows (new language underscored; deleted matter enclosed in brackets).

Outreach for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers

For grants and contracts pursuant to section 2501 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2279), [\$6,440,000] \$6,930,000, to remain available until expended. (Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008.)

Lead-Off Tabular Statement

SECTION 2501

Appropriations Act, 2008 Budget Estimate, 2009 Increase in Appropriation.	6,930,000
Adjustments in 2008: Appropriations Act, 2008	
Adjustment base for 2008	6,395,000 6,930,000 + 535,000
a/ The amount is rescinded pursuant to Division A, Title VII, Section 752 of P.L. 110-16	51.

SUMMARY OF INCREASES AND DECREASES (On basis of adjusted appropriation)

Item of Change	2008 Estimated	Pay Costs	Program <u>Change</u>	2009 Estimated
Section 2501, Outreach for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers	\$6,395,000		+535,000	\$6,930,000

Exhibit 9

COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND EXTENSION SERVICE

SECTION 2501, OUTREACH

PROJECT STATEMENT (On basis of Appropriation)

:	2007 Actu	al	:	2008 Estimat	ed :		2009 Estimat	ted
:	:	Staff	:	:	Staff:	Increase or :	:	Staff
Project :	Amount :	Years	:	Amount :	Years:	Decrease :	Amount :	Years
:	:		:	:	:	:	:	
<u>Section 2501</u> :	:		:	:	;	:	:	
:	:		:	:	:	:	:	
Outreach for Socially :	:		:	:	:	:	. :	
Disadvantaged Farmers:	\$5,940,000:		:	\$6,395,000:	:	+\$535,000:	\$6,930,000:	
:_	<u>:</u>		:	:	:	<u>:</u>	<u> </u>	
Total Available or Estimate	5,940,000 :		<u>:</u>	6,395,000 :	<u>:</u>	+535,000 :	6,930,000 :	2
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Rescission:	:		:	+45,000 :	:			
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Total Appropriation:	5,940,000 :	2	:	6,440,000 :	2 :			

SECTION 2501, OUTREACH

PROJECT STATEMENT (On basis of Available Funds)

•	2007 Actu	al	:	2008 Estima	ted :		2009 Estima	ted
:	:	Staff	:	:	Staff:	Increase or :	:	Staff
Project :	Amount :	Years	:	Amount :	Years:	Decrease :	Amount :	Year
:	:		:	:	:	:	:	
Section 2501 :	:		:	:	:	:	:	
:	:		:	:	:	:	:	
Outreach for Socially :	:		:	:	:	:	:	
Disadvantaged Farmers:	\$6,145,580 :		:	\$6,395,000:	:	+\$535,000:	\$6,930,000:	
:	:		:	:	:	:	:	
Carryover:	:		:	158,460 :	:	-158,460 :	:	
: _	<u> </u>		:	:	<u>:</u>	<u> </u>	<u>:</u>	
Total obligations Estimate:	6,145,580 :		:	6,553,460 :	<u> </u>	+376,540 :	6,930,000 :	2
	:		:	;	:	:	:	
Unobligated Balance: :	:		:	:	:	:	:	
:	:		:	:	:	:	:	
Available, start of year:	-258,712 :		:	-158,460 :	:	+158,460 :	:	
:	:		:	:	:	:	:	
Prior Year Recoveries::	-105,328 :		:	:	:	:	:	
:	:		:	:	:	:	:	
Available, end of year::	158,460 :		:	:	:	:	:	
: <u> </u>	<u> </u>		:	<u> </u>	:	:	<u> </u>	
Total Available or Estimate	5,940,000 :	22	:	6,395,000 :	2 :	+535,000 :	6,930,000 :	2
:	:		:	:	:			
Rescission:	0:		:	+45,000 :	:			
: <u>:</u>	:		:	:	:			
Total Appropriation:	5,940,000:	2	:	6,440,000:	2 :			

Justification of Increases and Decreases

Outreach for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers Activities

An increase of \$535,000 for Section 2501, Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers (\$6,395,000 available in 2008) as follows:

The overall objective of Section 2501 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-624) is to enhance the ability of minority farmers and ranchers to operate farms and ranches independently and produce income adequate to service debt, maintain operations and provide a reasonable lifestyle. Section 2501 provides grants to educational institutions and community-based organizations to encourage and assist socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers to own and operate farms and ranches, to participate in USDA agricultural programs; and to become integral parts of the agricultural community. This program contributes to the USDA goal of enhancing the competitiveness and sustainability of rural and farm economies.

Increased funding in 2009 will provide opportunities for broader outreach in more states and more communities and will allow more depth in interaction with individual farmers. Grantees report that one-on-one contact, as well as rigorous follow-up with disadvantaged producers, is frequently required to give adequate assistance with USDA program applications. One-on-one contact, combined with workshops, conferences, and new mobile technology options are operative in prior year 2501 projects. An exciting development in several previously funded projects is the advent of mobile internet access units which allow grantees to bring internet capability and technological advances in farm and ranch management to the target groups in rural areas. The benefits of computer literacy training enhance their target groups' capacity to function effectively in their enterprises. Increased funding would make this technology much more widely available to disadvantaged producers and is crucial to the success of these farmers and ranchers as e-government is more fully implemented.

The primary performance measure will be a review score of the portfolio to which the program contributes. CSREES has created portfolios or programs, each encompassing a set of continuing CSREES-funded activities broadly focused on a current and/or emerging issue of societal importance and which serves the foundation for agency planning and evaluation. These portfolios are subject to rigorous assessment by experts on an annual and periodic (5-year) basis to determine the extent to which they are making progress toward solving targeted national problems. A recently implemented assessment tool will be used to review the portfolio's relevance, quality, and performance, assigning a quantitative score to its performance. This score serves as the primary performance measure for CSREES-funded activities and is the most suitable measure of performance for this program.

	Section 2501, Outreach for Socially		
STATE	Disadvantaged Farmers 2007		
<u> </u>	2007		
ALABAMA	\$600,000	TABLE 2C-FISCAL YEAR 2008	
ARIZONA	295,910	SECTION 2501, OUTREACH FOR	SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS
ARKANSAS	541,434		
CALIFORNIA	299,405	FEDERAL ADMIN	\$225,800
GEORGIA	299,723		
KENTUCKY	300,000		
LOUISIANA	298,260	UNDISTRIBUTED	6,169,200
MAINE	300,000		
MARYLAND	300,000		
MASSACHUSETTS	298,749	TOTAL	<u>\$6,395,000</u>
MISSISSIPPI	265,000	,	
MONTANA	300,000		
NEW MEXICO	300,000		
NEW YORK	65,530	TABLE 3C- FISCAL YEAR 2009	
NORTH CAROLINA	478,143	SECTION 2501, OUTREACH FOR	SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS
NORTH DAKOTA	104,743		
OKLAHOMA	300,000	FEDERAL ADMIN	\$277,200
VIRGINIA	525,573		
PEER PANEL	35,510		
		UNDISTRIBUTED	<u>6,652,800</u>
SUBTOTAL	5,907,980		
FEDERAL ADMIN	237,600	TOTAL	\$6,930,000
Subtotal Obligations	6,145,580		
Unobligated	158,460		
SUBTOTAL	158,460		
TOTAL	6,304,040		

CLASSIFICATION BY OBJECTS Section 2501 Activities 2007 Actuals and Estimated 2008 and 2009

Personnel Compensation:	2007	2008	2009
Washington, D.C. Field	\$138,596 0	\$161,000 0	\$161,000 0
11 Total personnel compensation	138,596 34,823 31 173,450	161,000 54,000 0 215,000	161,000 54,000 0 215,000
Other Objects:			
Travel Transportation of Things Transportations Transporta	12,862 161 177 566 4,501 1,888 6,268 2,353 1,913 1,060 2,750 17,379 242 1,738 431 4,863 3,794 5,907,980 1,204	13,000 0 1,000 5,000 2,000 6,000 2,000 1,000 3,000 17,000 0 2,000 0 5,000 4,000 6,274,000 1,000	13,000 0 1,000 5,000 2,000 6,000 2,000 1,000 3,000 17,000 0 2,000 4,000 6,651,000 1,000
Total other objects	5,972,130	6,338,000	6,715,000
Position Data: Average Salary, ES Average Salary, GS Average Grade, GS	\$156,976 \$83,908 11.5	\$162,470 \$86,845 11.5	\$167,182 \$89,364 11.5

STATUS OF PROGRAM

<u>SECTION 2501, OUTREACH AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS AND RANCHERS ACTIVITIES:</u>

Current Activities:

This program helps African American, Tribal, Hispanic and other minority farmers and ranchers from socially disadvantaged groups participate in specific USDA loan, conservation, technical assistance, and related programs. The program enhances the ability of minority farmers and ranchers to operate farms and ranches independently and to produce income adequate to service debt, maintain operations, and provide a reasonable lifestyle. The program provides grants to educational institutions and community-based organizations to encourage and assist socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers to own and operate farms and ranches, to participate in USDA agricultural programs, and to become an integral part of the agricultural community.

Selected Examples of Recent Progress:

- 1. In Nebraska, the Hispanic and Native American Farmer and Rancher Outreach Project educates and supports Hispanic and Native American communities applying for USDA loan programs. Part of the education and support provided by the project included translating into Spanish the USDA manual "Producer's Guide to FSA Loan Programs". The project expanded its efforts to include Central and Western Nebraska and developed new partnerships with Panhandle Community Services, the University of Nebraska at Lincoln and the Elkhorn Logan Valley Public Health Department. The project results revealed a 10 percent increase in the target group participating in USDA programs, which assisted them in increasing farm ownership and retaining farms and ranches.
- 2. An Alabama A&M University program helped participating small farmers and ranchers increase their farm income by approximately 8.78 percent. Overall, 463 farmers and ranchers have adopted improved farm business record systems; 237 have adopted new technologies or practices; and, 285 have attended comprehensive training. Active participants include 528 small and limited resource farmers and ranchers, while 1,396 small and limited resource farmers and land owners remain on active mailing lists that provide newsletters and other educational information. Innovative expansion has led to working with the Tri-State Rabbit Growers Association, the Alabama Farmers Association, Alabama Sheep and Goat Producers Association, and the Northwest Alabama Small Farmers Agricultural Improvement Association in identifying viable markets for rabbit meat, goat meat and pastured poultry.

Summary of Budget and Performance Statement of Goals and Objectives

CSREES has six strategic goals and fourteen strategic objectives that contribute to the six USDA strategic goals and sixteen objectives.

USDA Strategic	Agency Strategic	Agency Objectives	Programs that	Key Outcome
Goal/Objective	Goal		Contribute	·
USDA Strategic Goal 1:	Agency Goal 1:	Objective 1.2:		Key Outcome 1.2:
Enhance International	Enhance	Support International	Research	Expanded international
Competitiveness of	International	Economic Development	Integrated	economic development and
American Agriculture	Competitiveness of	and Trade Capacity	Higher	trade capacity building through:
	American	Building	Education	(1) partnerships between U.S.
USDA Strategic Objective	Agriculture		•	and counterpart faculty in
1.2: Support International	_			developing or transitioning
Economic Development and				countries to strengthen science
Trade Capacity Building				applications and (2) technical
				assistance provided to these
				countries to support market and
				agricultural sector development.

USDA Strategic Goal/Objective	Agency Strategic Goal	Agency Objectives	Programs that Contribute	Key Outcome
USDA Strategic Goal 1: Enhance International Competitiveness of American Agriculture USDA Strategic Objective 1.3: Improved Sanitary and Phytosanitary System (SPS) to Facilitate Agriculture Trade	Agency Goal 4: Enhance Protection and Safety of the Nation's Agriculture and Food Supply	Objective 4.1: Reduce The Incidence of Foodborne Illnesses and Contaminants Through Research, Education, and Extension Objective 4.2: Develop and Deliver Research, Education, and Extension to Reduce the Number and Severity of Agricultural Pest and Disease Outbreaks	Extension Research Integrated Higher Education Extension Research Integrated Higher Education	Key Outcome 4.1: Reduced incidence or prevalence of food borne illnesses and contaminants through increased knowledge and/or the development of mitigation, intervention, or prevention strategies via research or integrated research, education, and extension projects in the following food safety areas: pre-harvest food production and transportation, post-harvest processing and distribution, retail preparation and distribution, and consumer preparation, consumption, and behavior. Key Outcome 4.2: Expanded science-based information and technologies and reduced number and severity of agricultural pest and disease outbreaks through: (1) connection and data exchange among national plant and animal disease diagnostic networks, (2) increased resource efficiency and decreased economic risk regarding the adoption of sustainable pest management tactics, (3) developed capacity to minimize or mitigate occupational and non-occupational human health risks associated with pest management, and (4) increased capacity in minimizing or mitigating environmental risk
				associated with pest management.

USDA Strategic Goal/Objective	Agency Strategic Goal	Agency Objectives	Programs that Contribute	Key Outcome
USDA Strategic Goal 2: Enhance the Competitiveness and Sustainability of Rural and Farm Economies USDA Objective 2.1: Expand Domestic Market Opportunities	Agency Goal 2: Enhance the Competitiveness and Sustainability of Rural and Farm Economies	Objective 2.1: Provide Research, Education, and Extension to Expand Domestic Market Opportunities	Research Extension Higher Education Integrated	Key Outcome 2.1: Expanded science-based knowledge and technologies to generate high-quality products and processes by: (1) increasing knowledge of bioenergy and biomass conversion, (2) creating new commercially viable and marketable alternative crops, and alternative markets for nonfood products from existing crops, and (3) establishing new
			er e e	integrated research and extension programs and multi-disciplinary graduate education training programs.
USDA Strategic Goal 2: Enhance the Competitiveness and Sustainability of Rural and Farm Economies USDA Strategic Objective 2.2: Increase the Efficiency of Domestic Agricultural Production and Marketing Systems	Agency Goal 2: Enhance the Competitiveness and Sustainability of Rural and Farm Economies	Objective 2.2: Provide Research, Education, and Extension to Increase the Efficiency of Agricultural Production and Marketing Systems	Research Extension Higher Education Integrated Section 2501	Key Outcome 2.2: Increased efficiency of the agricultural production system by: (1) expanding information to model feed utilization for animal species, (2) releasing new or improved varieties or germplasm with enhanced pest or disease resistance, (3) further understanding the biological role of gene sequences in plants, animals, microbes and insects, (4) strengthening masters degree level courses in the food and agricultural sciences, particularly at minority-serving institutions, (5) increasing the number of minority students participating in the workforce by funding minority-serving projects at Hispanic serving institutions, 1890 institutions, 1994 institutions, Alaska-native serving, native-Hawaiian serving institutions, and (6) increasing the number of socially disadvantaged minority farmers and ranchers who are knowledgeable, eligible, and participating in USDA farm programs.

USDA Strategic	Agency Strategic	Agency Objectives	Programs	Key Outcome
Goal/Objective	Goal		that	
			Contribute	
USDA Strategic Goal 2:	Agency Goal 2:	Objective 2.3:		Key Outcome 2.3:
Enhance the	Enhance the	Provide Risk	Research	Increased producers'
Competitiveness and	Competitiveness	Management and	Extension	knowledge of principles and
Sustainability of Rural and	and Sustainability	Financial Tools to	Higher	techniques of risk management.
Farm Economies	of Rural and Farm	Farmers and	Education	
	Economies	Ranchers	Integrated	·
USDA Strategic			Section 2501	
Objective 2.3:				
Provide Risk Management				·
and Financial Tools to				
Farmers and Ranchers				

USDA Strategic	Agency Strategic	Agency Objectives	Programs that	Key Outcome
Goal/Objective	Goal		Contribute	
USDA Strategic Goal 3:	Agency Goal 3:	Objective 3.1:	v	Key Outcome 3.1:
Support Increased	Support Increased	Expand Economic	Research	Expanded economic
Economic Opportunities	Economic	Opportunities in Rural	Extension	opportunities in Rural America
and Improved Quality of	Opportunities and	America by Providing	Higher	and increased knowledge
Life in Rural America	Improved Quality	Research, Education,	Education	pertaining to economic
	of Life in Rural	and Extension to Create		diversification, community
USDA Strategic Objective	America.	Opportunities for		planning, service infrastructure,
3.1:		Growth		local government, youth/adult
Expand Economic				workforce planning, and civic
Opportunities by Using				engagement through innovative
USDA Financial Resources	·		# Z	integrated research and
to Leverage Private Sector				extension projects targeted to
Resources and Create			. *	regional business, economic and
Opportunities for Growth				business development.
USDA Strategic Goal 3:	Agency Goal 3:	Objective 3.2:	٠	Key Outcome 3.2:
Support Increased	Support Increased	Provide Research,	Research	Increased knowledge among
Economic Opportunities	Economic	Education, and	Extension	county based staff and
and Improved Quality of	Opportunities and	Extension to Improve	Higher	community leadership in order
Life in Rural America	Improved Quality	the Quality of Life in	Education	to provide research-based
1	of Life in Rural	Rural Areas	Integrated	practices to encourage
USDA Strategic Objective	America.			appropriate community capitol
3.2:				development which enhances
Improve the Quality of Life				business and economic
through USDA Financing of				development, the availability of
Quality Housing, Modern				appropriate education and
Utilities, and Needed				health services, transportation
Community Facilities		,		networks and the vibrant
				community connections.
				Electronic deployment of
				information to increase the
		·		social, cultural, human and
				economic capitol available for
				more nimble and creative
				community responses to needs.

USDA Strategic	Agency Strategic	Agency Objectives	Programs that	Key Outcome
Goal/Objective	Goal		Contribute	·
USDA Strategic Goal 4:	Agency Goal 4:	Objective 4.1:		Key Outcome 4.1:
Enhance Protection and		Reduce the Incidence of	Research	Reduced incidence or
Safety of the Nation's	and Safety of the	Foodborne Illnesses and	Extension	prevalence of food borne
Agriculture and Food	Nation's	Contaminants Through	Integrated	illnesses and contaminants
Supply	Agriculture and	Research, Education,	Higher	through increased knowledge
- PP-2	Food Supply.	and Extension	Education	and/or the development of
USDA Strategic Objective				mitigation, intervention, or
4.1:				prevention strategies via
Reduce the Incidence of		·		research or integrated research,
Foodborne Illnesses Related		·		education, and extension
to Meat, Poultry, and Egg	İ			projects in the following food
Products in the U.S.	ĺ			safety areas: pre-harvest food
l'ioducts in the cisi				production and transportation,
			-	post-harvest processing and
				distribution, retail preparation
	1			and distribution, and consumer
	·			preparation, consumption, and
		'		behavior.
USDA Strategic Goal 4:	Agency Goal 4:	Objective 4.2:		Key Outcome 4.2:
Enhance Protection and		Develop and Deliver	Extension	Expanded science-based
Safety of the Nation's		Research, Education,	Research	information and technologies
Agriculture and Food		and Extension to Reduce	Integrated	and reduced number and
Supply		the Number and Severity	Higher	severity of agricultural pest and
Бирргу		of Agricultural Pest and	Education	disease outbreaks through: (1)
USDA Strategic Objective		Disease Outbreaks	Laavanon	connection and data exchange
4.2:				among national plant and animal
Reduce the Number and				disease diagnostic networks, (2)
Severity of Agricultural				increased resource efficiency
Pest and Disease Outbreaks		ĺ		and decreased economic risk
l est and Discuse Satereans				regarding the adoption of
				sustainable pest management
		 		tactics, (3) developed capacity
·		,		to minimize or mitigate
				occupational and non-
				occupational human health risks
				associated with pest
				management, and (4) increased
				capacity in minimizing or
				mitigating environmental risk
				associated with pest
			1	management.
				management.

USDA Strategic	Agency Strategic	Agency Objectives	Programs	Key Outcome
Goal/Objective	Goal		that	
			Contribute	
USDA Strategic Goal 5:	Agency Goal 5:	Objective 5.1:		Key Outcome 5.1:
Improve the Nation's	Improve the	Ensure Access to	Research	New knowledge that clarifies
Nutrition and Health	Nation's Nutrition	Nutritious Food	Higher	dietary health relationships in
	and Health.		Education	order to support better dietary
USDA Strategic Objective			Extension	recommendations and
5.1: Ensure Access to				improved food products
Nutritious Food				
USDA Strategic Goal 5:	Agency Goal 5:	Objective 5.2: Promote		Key Outcome 5.2:
Improve the Nation's	Improve the	Healthier Eating	Research	Reduced proportion of adult
Nutrition and Health	Nation's Nutrition	Habits and Lifestyles	Extension	participants age 20 years and
	and Health.		Higher	older who are obese, and of
USDA Strategic Objective			Education	children and adolescents who
5.2: Promote Healthier			Integrated	are obese and overweight by
Eating Habits and Lifestyles				increasing healthier food
				choices and lifestyles.

USDA Strategic	Agency Strategic	Agency Objectives	Programs that	Key Outcome
Goal/Objective	Goal		Contribute	
USDA Strategic Goal 6:	Agency Goal 6:	Objective 6.1:		
Protect and Enhance the	Protect and	Ensure Clean, Abundant	Research	
Nation's Natural Resource	Enhance the	Water And Clean,	Higher	
Base and Environment	Nation's Natural	Healthy Air	Education	
	Resource Base and		Extension	
USDA Strategic Objective	Environment.			
6.1:				
Protect Watershed Health to				
Ensure Clean and Abundant		1		
Water				
USDA Strategic Goal 6:	Agency Goal 6:	Objective 6.2:		
Protect and Enhance the	Protect and	Enhance Soil Quality to	Research	
Nation's Natural Resource	Enhance the	Maintain Productive	Higher	·
Base and Environment	Nation's Natural	Working Lands	Education	
	Resource Base and	1	Extension	
USDA Strategic Objective	Environment.			Key Outcome 6:
6.2:				Expanded and disseminated
Enhance Soil Quality to		,		science-based knowledge and
Maintain Productive				information for management of
Working Cropland				the nation's natural resources
USDA Strategic Goal 6:	Agency Goal 6:	Objective 6.3:		and environment, including soil,
	Protect and	Protect Enhance, and	Research	air and water, in agricultural,
Nation's Natural Resource	Enhance the	Manage Forests and	Extension	forest, and range working lands
Base and Environment	Nation's Natural	Rangelands	Higher	and ecosystems.
	Resource Base and	_	Education	
USDA Strategic Objective	Environment.		Integrated	
6.3:				
Protect Forests and				
Grasslands				
USDA Strategic Goal 6:	Agency Goal 6:	Objective 6.4:		
Protect and Enhance the	Protect and	Protect and Enhance	Research	
Nation's Natural Resource	Enhance the	Wildlife Habitat to	Extension	
Base and Environment	Nation's Natural	Benefit Desired, at-Risk	Higher	
	Resource Base and	and Declining Species	Education	
USDA Strategic -	Environment.		Integrated	
Objective 6.4:			ū	
Protect and Enhance				
Wildlife Habitat to Benefit				·
Desired, At-Risk and				1
Declining Species				

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 1.2: Support International Economic Development and Trade Capacity Building

	FY 200	FY 2007 Actual FY 2008 Budget		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	FY 2009 Estimated		
Strategic Objective 1.2:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$3,154,000	1	\$3,519,000	1	-\$1,180,000	\$2,339,000	1
Education	401,000	0	420,000	0	-26,000	394,000	0
Integrated	990,000	0	1,986,000	0	+4,000	1,990,000	1
Total, Strategic Objective 1.2	4,545,000	1	5,925,000	1	-1,202,000	4,723,000	2

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 2.1: Expand Domestic Market Opportunities

	FY 2007 Actual FY 2008 Budget		FY 2009 Estimated				
Strategic Objective 2.1:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$63,939,000	22	\$71,333,000	27	-\$17,680,000	\$53,653,000	23
Education	4,424,000	2	4,620,000	2	-314,000	4,306,000	2
Extension	40,206,000	15	40,786,000	16	-2,105,000	38,681,000	17
Integrated	1,768,000	0	920,000	0	-920,000	0	0
Mandatory	3,000,000	0	3,000,000	0	-3,000,000	0	0
Total, Strategic Objective 2.1	113,337,000	39	120,659,000	45	-24,019,000	96,640,000	42

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 2.2: Increase the Efficiency of Domestic Agricultural Production and Marketing Systems

	FY 2007	7 Actual	FY 2008 Budget		FY 2009 Estimated		
Strategic Objective 2.2:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$210,411,000	72	\$190,313,000	70	-\$33,004,000	\$157,309,000	71
Education	9,683,000	3	10,079,000	4	+586,000	10,665,000	5
Extension	44,709,000	15	44,973,000	17	-4,470,000	40,503,000	18
Integrated	6,577,000	2	7,651,000	2	-7,651,000	0	0
Section 2501	5,940,000	2	6,395,000	2	+535,000	6,930,000	2
Total, Strategic Objective 2.2	277,320,000	94	259,411,000	95	-44,004,000	215,407,000	96

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 2.3: Provide Risk Management and Financial Tools to Farmers and Ranchers

Strategic Objective 2.3:	FY 200	7 Actual	l FY 2008 Budget		FY 2009 Estimated		
	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$10,342,000	4	\$10,381,000	4	-\$3,331,000	\$7,050,000	3
Education	1,609,000	1	1,680,000	1	-108,000	1,572,000	1
Extension	29,919,000	9	29,950,000	11	-1,029,000	28,921,000	13
Integrated	55,000	0	56,000	0	-56,000	0	0
Total, Strategic Objective 2.3	41,925,000	14	42,067,000	16	-4,524,000	37,543,000	17

Selected Accomplishments Expected at the FY 2009 Proposed Resource Level:

Enhance International Competitiveness of American Agriculture

Key Outcome 1.2 Expected Accomplishment: International Science and Education grant projects are expected to enhance the international content of curricula; ensure that faculty work beyond the U.S. and bring lessons learned back home; promote international research partnerships; enhance the use and application of foreign technologies in the U.S.; and strengthen the role that colleges and universities play in maintaining U.S. competitiveness.

Grants to higher education institutions will train students at the baccalaureate, masters and doctorate level to expand human capital development in emerging areas (i.e. biotechnology, food systems, economics and marketing, etc.). As a result, workforce ready graduates with core competencies in sustainable sciences will be able to respond to the national needs in the economics and trade arena through the Higher Education Multicultural Scholars Program and the Food and Agricultural Science National Needs Graduate and Post Graduate Fellowship Grants Program.

Enhance the Competitiveness and Sustainability of Rural and Farm Economies

Key Outcome 2.1 Expected Accomplishment: Funding will be used to a) generate original fundamental knowledge on the development of new processes and new or improved food and nonfood products through basic research, including research on biofuels and on functional food nutrition; b) develop new processes and value added food and nonfood products through applied research; c) conduct outreach programs for the commercialization of new processes and products developed and demonstrate the use of new products; and d) provide leadership in the delivery of research-based knowledge through extension, outreach, and information dissemination to strengthen the capacity of public and private decision makers impacting agriculture.

The Higher Education Challenge Grants Program has recently added emphasis encouraging faculty to develop innovative undergraduate instruction to promote the importance of biorenewable resource management. Funded projects in Iowa and North Carolina will lead in establishing virtual education centers where, online, other faculty can find resources to develop and deliver improved undergraduate coursework promoting biorenewable resources management.

Key Outcome 2.2 Expected Accomplishment: Functional genomics of corn and other key crops will result in:

- Increased training of young scientists at the interface of modern sequencing technologies and bioinformatics, and promote increased participation by members of underrepresented groups;
- Increased the efficiency of breeding programs;
- Streamlined delivery of new traits, e.g. higher photosynthetic activity, and increased fertilizer utilization;
- Discovery and enhancement of the innate properties of corn, e.g. drought tolerance, disease resistance, and hybrid vigor;
- Recognition and understanding of the traits that will allow corn to be an ideal crop for food and feed, e.g. low phytate corn, improved amino acid profile, control of mycotoxins; fuel and industrial uses, e.g. quality and quantity; and
- Decreased adverse environmental impact of production farming, e.g. water quality/quantity, pesticide application.

Measurements of feed kinetics and mathematical modeling will result in:

- Increased efficiency of production systems
- Expanded use of dynamic models that account for excretion of excess nutrients, fluctuations in body condition (body fat) of beef and dairy cows
- Decreased environmental impact of production farming (e.g., decreased nitrogen and phosphorus)
- A foundation for the next generation of nutrition modelers, which will increase the accuracy of prediction of nutrient availability and aid in reducing excretion of nutrients

Funding under the Hispanic-Serving Institutions Education Grants Program will continue to provide access to severely underrepresented and underprivileged members of rural and urban communities in the need areas of natural resources, water quality, nutrition, food safety, and biotechnology.

The Alaska-Native Serving and Native-Hawaiian Serving Institutions Education Grants Program (ANNH) will fund 6 to 15 single and consortium Alaska-Native Serving and Native Hawaiian-Serving institutions to increase the number of minority

students participating in the workforce. Additional projects will be funded at 1890 Land Grant Institutions through a variety of funding mechanisms.

By 2009, ANNH will fund 6-15 individual and consortium projects to continue institutional support for native student enrollment and retention. BY 2009, Tribal Colleges Research Grants Program will fund 12-15 individual and joint applications and reaching 100 percent participation in research of the eligible institutions.

Key Outcome 2.3 Expected Accomplishment: The Trade Adjustment and Assistance (TAA) Program will help agricultural producers and fishermen adjust to foreign import competition; will assist producers in obtaining information regarding the feasibility and desirability of substituting alternative commodities for the adversely affected agricultural commodity; and will provide technical assistance to improve the competitiveness of the production and marketing of the adversely affected producer. The program will provide technical information and advice to farmers and fishermen to provide them with risk management information that can help them become more competitive in the marketplace.

The TAA Program for Farmers and Fishermen is being considered by Congress for reauthorization, as the current program responsibilities ended in September 2007. If the program is reauthorized, the Risk Management Education Centers, which deliver all program responsibilities on behalf of CSREES, intend to continue working toward building program evaluation and impacts as the program moves forward, conducive to the reauthorized authorities continued in new enabling legislation. It is anticipated that the newly reauthorized responsibilities will continue to require mandatory technical assistance and intensive technical assistance to farmers and fishermen whose production and marketing of agricultural products are affected adversely by imports.

Means and Strategies

CSREES funds the production and dissemination of science-based information, education and technical assistance that lead to capacity building in developing countries, promoting economic, political, and social stability. CSREES supports numerous research and extension activities to enhance the competitiveness and sustainability of rural and farm economies, ranging from the development of new products to improvements in productivity and financial management. Research discovers more productive and environmentally benign ways to produce food and fiber, not only in the U.S., but worldwide. Education programs strengthen the foundation for this goal by building capacity in the agricultural research and extension system and training the next generation of scientists and educators.

CSREES sponsors vital research and development contributions for new food and non-food products and technologies, quality improvements, new uses, and value added processes that enhance market opportunities for agricultural and forest products. Through extension, CSREES and its partners effectively demonstrate and transfer this knowledge to users.

CSREES funds research, education, and extension programs to develop and transfer technology, practices, and skills to support economically viable farms and ranches of various size and scale. This work reduces per unit and overall production costs, improves quality and yields, reduces environmental impact, improves marketing and management decisions, develops new products and uses for by-products, and finds new ways of adding value to traditional crops and products. Research ranges from using genomics to develop hybrids requiring fewer chemical inputs, to systems for more informed decision making, to new precision technology and nanotechnology to improve management of crops and animals.

Farming in the 21st century requires substantial resources and extensive management skills. USDA helps agricultural producers manage the risks associated with agricultural production, improve good farming practices and become good stewards of the land, and recover economically and structurally when natural disaster strikes. CSREES contributes to the improvement and strengthening of this dynamic agricultural system through sponsored research into alternative methods to identify, assess, and manage risk, providing relevant education, and extending information and practices to improve production and market decision making through enhanced risk management.

CSREES helps ensure that a high-quality higher education infrastructure will be available at the nation's land-grant universities to address national needs, and it uses the infrastructure of scientific expertise from these and other colleges and universities, and also of public and private laboratories, to partner in addressing national priorities. Annual activities ensure that the relevance, quality and productivity of newly funded education, research, and extension projects support these objectives. This is accomplished through guidance for annual plans of work, the preparation of requests for applications, funding meritorious competitive proposals and plans, and oversight of previously funded work. CSREES supports the base programs of State

Agricultural Experiment Stations and the Cooperative Extension System nationwide at land-grant universities, providing working funds to researchers and extension personnel at land-grant institutions all over the United States.

Funds provided by Section 2501 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (FACT, Section 2501) are needed to enhance the ability of minority and small farmers and ranchers to operate farming or ranching enterprises independently and produce income adequate to service debt, maintain operations, and provide a reasonable life style. The provision of funds from Section 2501 supports educational institutions and community-based organizations to encourage and assist socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers to own and operate farms, participate in agricultural programs, and become an integral part of the agricultural community.

Annual activities ensure that the relevance, quality and productivity of newly funded education, research, and extension projects are specifically linked to enhancing international competitiveness of American agriculture and the competitiveness and sustainability of rural and farm economies. This is accomplished through guidance for annual plans of work, the preparation of requests for applications, funding meritorious proposals and plans, and oversight of previously funded work.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 3.1: Expand Economic Opportunities by Using USDA Financial Resources to Leverage Private Sector Resources and Create Opportunities for Growth

•	FY 200	7 Actual	al FY 2008 Budget		FY 2009 Estimated		
Strategic Objective 3.1:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$30,968,000	11	\$42,108,000	16	-\$18,714,000	\$23,394,000	10
Education	2,411,000	1	2,522,000	1	-167,000	2,355,000	1
Extension	53,922,000	18	53,979,000	20	-1,854,000	52,125,000	23
Total, Strategic Objective 3.1	87,301,000	30	98,609,000	37	-20,735,000	77,874,000	34

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 3.2: Improve the Quality of Life Through USDA Financing of Quality Housing, Modern Utilities, and Needed Community Facilities

	FY 2007	7 Actual	FY 2008 Budget		/	FY 2009 Estimated	
Strategic Objective 3.2:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$10,823,000	4	\$9,825,000	4	-\$935,000	\$8,890,000	4
Education	4,419,000	2	4,620,000	2	-304,000	4,316,000	2
Extension	79,773,000	27	79,898,000	30	-3,625,000	76,273,000	33
Integrated	3,314,000	0	3,351,000	0	-1,973,000	1,378,000	1
Total, Strategic Objective 3.2	98,329,000	33	97,694,000	36	-6,837,000	90,857,000	40

Selected Accomplishments Expected at the FY 2009 Proposed Resource Level:

Support Increased Economic Opportunities and Improved Quality of Life in Rural America

Key Outcome 3.1 Expected Accomplishment: The personal finance component of eXtension, launched in 2007, with funding from CSREES, provides reliable, research-based, and up-to-date financial and consumer information including learning modules, fact sheets, and commonly asked questions with unbiased, peer reviewed answers anytime on any Internet-ready device. The site, which currently focuses on financial preparation for a secure retirement, will be expanded to serve the financial literacy needs of youth and financially vulnerable audiences, such as bankruptcy filers. Key links with strategic partner organizations will expand the marketing potential. Evaluation strategies for on-line learning, plus significant effort to assure project sustainability, are expected.

The CSREES-sponsored Cooperative Extension program will provide key leadership for "America Saves Week", designed to encourage all Americans, especially those of low to moderate means, to take financial action leading to achieving, personal wealth, not debt. America Saves Week activities, coordinated by Extension, expect to result in 20,000 savers signed up in 30 States who set an aggregate savings goal of \$4 million. America Saves Week is a special emphasis effort of the overall program America Saves, which is offered by Extension via a partnership with the Consumer Federation of America.

Key Outcome 3.2 Expected Accomplishment: The Rural E-Commerce Extension Initiative (funded by CSREES and coordinated by the Southern Rural Development Center with its three sister Regional Rural Development Centers) will carry out national training for Extension educators on e-commerce educational curricula developed through a competitive grants program. It will match or surpass its base training rate of 65 educators from 28 States set in 2007. It will continue to manage a national competitive grants program to invest in the development of high priority and science-based e-commerce related products, roll-out new educational curricula, and continued to conduct multi-state web-based training programs.

The Regional Rural Development Centers will deploy training and conduct research targeted to minority and underserved stakeholders to enhance business and economic development. Centers in the North Central and Western regions will partner with First Nations' Extension programs to build professional capacity among Extension educators and to provide training for First Nations' members in rural entrepreneurship. The Center in the Northeast region will continue its "Small Farms Industry Clusters" research project (funded by CSREES-NRI) to research networks of Hmong farmers, new Hispanic farmers, and female-headed farms. The Center's research will provide a new framework for understanding complex economic, social, biological and environmental forces that interact in agriculture and connect to rural communities. It will provide entrepreneurship training and support for producer networks tailored to these concentrations of farmers and improve the vitality of small US farms and rural communities. The Southern Center will coordinate "The New Hispanic South," an Information Exchange Network designed to improve Extension programs and identify research priorities for Hispanics in the southern region.

The Sustainable Community Innovation Grants Program will competitively fund new projects that pursue local strategies to link sound farm and non-farm economic development with agricultural and natural resource management. Proposals are solicited that will increase knowledge, build capacity, and make connections among on- and off-farm sustainable agriculture activities, economic and community development efforts, civic engagement, nutrition and health, and local government policy.

The electronic deployment of "Growing a Nation, The History of American Agriculture," will be supplemented by teacher workshops throughout the country. As a result, students will learn about the history and importance of agriculture in their lives. The program will also serve as a mechanism to introduce students to the agricultural sciences and highlight the importance of agriculture in the U.S. and world economies.

Means and Strategies

CSREES promotes the well-being of America through research, education, and extension to better understand the economic, demographic, and environmental forces affecting regions and communities, and using knowledge to develop strategies that make maximum use of local assets. CSREES supports the education and training of residents and community and business leaders to help their communities thrive in the global economy. Education programs strengthen the foundation for this goal by building capacity in the agricultural research and extension system and training the next generation of scientists and educators.

CSREES supports the generation, dissemination, and use of research-based information and knowledge to support new and innovative economic opportunities for communities and to assist public and private sector leaders in their decision making of rural issues. CSREES sponsors analysis of policy and translate research results into recommendations for business management and community leadership to optimize public and private decision-making; education, research, and extension on economic diversification, e-commerce, entrepreneurship, community planning, service infrastructure, local government, workforce development, leadership development and civic engagement; and sponsors research and analyses on the structure and performance of rural economies and on services and resources that promote economic development.

CSREES sponsors research, education, and extension to improve the understanding of socioeconomic conditions in rural America, and to promote community, youth and family well-being. Supported activities include research-based information on community assets and liabilities that affect youth, family and community well-being; research on policies and programs addressing circumstances that impact the well-being of individuals, family and communities; education, research, and extension to support effective family decision-making in managing their social and economic capital; regional rural development training, research and information access; analysis and education on issues that impact the well-being of communities and families, characterize people and places in need of assistance, and on the effectiveness of related public policies and programs; and education and extension to help parents provide a safe, healthy and nurturing atmosphere in which children and youth can grow and learn.

CSREES helps ensure that a high-quality higher education infrastructure will be available at the nation's land-grant universities to address national needs, and it uses the infrastructure of scientific expertise from these and other colleges and universities, and also of public and private laboratories, to partner in addressing national priorities. Annual activities ensure that the relevance, quality and productivity of newly funded education, research, and extension projects support these objectives. This is accomplished through guidance for annual plans of work, the preparation of requests for applications, funding meritorious competitive proposals and plans, and oversight of previously funded work. CSREES supports the base programs of State Agricultural Experiment Stations and the Cooperative Extension System nationwide at land-grant universities, providing working funds to researchers and extension personnel at land-grant institutions all over the United States.

Annual activities ensure that the relevance, quality and productivity of newly funded education, research, and extension projects are specifically linked to supporting increased economic opportunities and improved quality of life in rural America. This is accomplished through guidance for annual plans of work, the preparation of requests for applications, funding meritorious proposals and plans, and oversight of previously funded work.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 4.1: Reduce the Incidence of Foodborne Illnesses Related to Meat, Poultry, and Egg Products in the U.S.

	FY 200	7 Actual	FY 2008 Budget		FY 2009 Estimated		
Strategic Objective 4.1:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$27,121,000	9	\$34,754,000	12	-\$7,881,000	\$26,873,000	11
Education	2,009,000	1	2,099,000	1	-137,000	1,962,000	1
Extension	20,178,000	7	20,197,000	7	-693,000	19,504,000	9
Integrated	3,701,000	1	3,351,000	1	-3,351,000	00	0
Total, Strategic Objective 4.1	53,009,000	18	60,401,000	21	-12,062,000	48,339,000	21

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 4.2: Reduce the Number and Severity of Agricultural Pest and Disease Outbreaks

	FY 2007	Actual	FY 2008 Budget			FY 2009 Estimated	
Strategic Objective 4.2:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$130,119,000	46	\$126,152,000	52	-\$25,793,000	\$100,359,000	49
Education	4,418,000	1	4,619,000	2	+1,696,000	6,315,000	4
Extension	14,034,000	7	13,970,000	5	+716,000	14,686,000	6
Integrated	20,050,000	3	19,548,000	3	-2,796,000	16,752,000	2
Total, Strategic Objective 4.2	168,621,000	57	164,289,000	62	-26,177,000	138,112,000	61

Selected Accomplishments Expected at the FY 2009 Proposed Resource Level:

Enhance Protection and Safety of the Nation's Agriculture and Food Supply

Key Outcome 4.1 Expected Accomplishment: CSREES will sponsor National Research Initiative (NRI) food safety projects specifically targeting emerging issues in food safety, particularly produce; food and agricultural defense; and will increase focus on projects dealing with nanotechnology for functional foods and food safety.

Key Outcome 4.2 Expected Accomplishment: In addition to continuing risk reductions and increased efficiencies of traditional CSREES Integrated Pest Management Programs, the National Plant Diagnostic Network expects to make significant progress, which builds on past accomplishments and includes:

- Increasing the ability of laboratories in all 50 States to rapidly and accurately diagnose plant pathogens of regional and national interest through improved diagnostic equipment, training, and methods;
- Improving the biocontainment, biosafety, and biosecurity of regional diagnostic centers and other partner laboratories;
- Increasing the utilization of non-public National Agricultural Pest Information Systems data for the early detection of bio-terrorism related, accidental, or natural outbreaks that have the potential to threaten the nation's plant resources, trade position, or consumer confidence.

Means and Strategies

Through cooperation with its partners, CSREES sponsors the development and distribution of scientific-based information, technology and practices to producers, manufacturers, the work force, and regulatory agencies to help ensure the safety of agriculture and the food supply to domestic and global consumers. Education programs strengthen the foundation for this goal by building capacity in the agricultural research and extension system and training the next generation of scientists and educators.

Maintaining an affordable and safe national food supply is essential to agriculture and the nation. The ability to detect and prevent contamination by intentional or naturally occurring causes is a priority to ensuring food safety throughout the production, processing and distribution system. Collecting and disseminating accurate scientific knowledge will promote food safety from production to consumption. CSREES sponsors education, research, extension, and technology development to identify and assess organisms, pathogens, and toxins that cause human disease throughout the agricultural environment, in foods, and in the processing and distribution system, and supports the development and transfer of practices and intervention strategies that manage, reduce or eliminate food safety risk throughout the food chain.

Agricultural pests and diseases threaten the quality of agricultural products and the economic success of a farm operation and its surrounding community. Through basic and applied research, host-pathogen interactions can be identified, epidemiological and economic impacts of diseases and pests described, and control measures improved and validated. Through education and extension, producers and practitioners understand the threats from diseases and pests, and can implement effective and efficient means of control. CSREES sponsored research and analysis is a primary source of information on pests and diseases that impact the food and fiber system. The Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative seeks to prevent post-harvest bio-terrorism and disasters, improve homeland security and ensure growers can handle additional crops and new pests in an emergency.

Annual activities ensure that the relevance, quality and productivity of newly funded education, research, and extension projects are specifically linked to enhancing protection and safety of the nation's agriculture and food supply. This is accomplished through guidance for annual plans of work, the preparation of requests for applications, funding meritorious proposals and plans, and oversight of previously funded work.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 5.1: Ensure Access to Nutritious Food

	FY 2007	7 Actual	FY 200	8 Budget		FY 2009	Estimated
Strategic Objective 5.1:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$15,386,000	5	\$16,101,000	6	-\$1,488,000	\$14,613,000	5
Education	1,206,000	0	1,259,000	0	-80,000	1,179,000	1
Extension	20,525,000	7	20,548,000	8	-707,000	19,841,000	9
Total, Strategic Objective 5.1	37,117,000	12	37,908,000	14	-2,275,000	35,633,000	15

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 5.2: Promote Healthier Eating Habits and Lifestyles

	FY 2007	7 Actual	FY 2008 Budget			FY 2009 Estimated	
Strategic Objective 5.2:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$10,696,000	4	\$10,684,000	4	+\$918,000	\$11,602,000	5
Education	3,616,000	1	3,778,000	1	-249,000	3,529,000	2
Extension	93,314,000	32	95,155,000	36	-6,081,000	89,074,000	40
Integrated	1,103,000	0	1,113,000	0	-1,113,000	0	0
Total, Strategic Objective 5.2	108,729,000	37	110,730,000	41	-6,525,000	104,205,000	47

Selected Accomplishments Expected at the FY 2009 Proposed Resource Level:

Improve the Nation's Nutrition and Health

Key Outcome 5.1 Expected Accomplishment: The NRI expects to provide support in the area of Human Nutrition for 35 graduate students and 12 postdoctoral fellows. Funding will continue to provide support for 8-10 Postdoctoral Fellows, and Hatch Multi-State Research Projects will provide support for 65 graduate students.

Key Outcome 5.2 Expected Accomplishment: The historically Black 1890 Land Grant institutions will maintain a larger base to sustain the growth of program outreach in addition to enhanced support and training from the Federal partner. Additional funding will provide new opportunities for educators in minority neighborhoods to reach at risk families with culturally appropriate materials to improve the quality of their diets. The funding will allow all States to enhance Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program by increasing the emphasis on appropriate physical activity and enhancing community based support for food security.

Means and Strategies

CSREES sponsors research and analysis to improve the scientific knowledge base concerning nutrition and health, and sponsors education and extension to promote healthy diets, reach children early, ensure access to healthy food, and utilize scientifically valid information to improve food, diet, and activity level decisions. Education programs strengthen the foundation for this goal by building capacity in the agricultural research and extension system and training the next generation of scientists and educators.

CSREES partners develop, test and release new technologies and innovative production practices to enhance the nutritional properties of foods, and increase accessibility to more healthy and nutritious food products for the entire population. Research helps verify new classes of food compounds that play a role in human health through optimal nutrition. Education of professionals and practitioners helps ensure that relevant, scientifically valid information and recommendations reach consumers. Extension reduces risks from adoption of unproven and dangerous practices through science-based education.

CSREES intends to use its nutrition education efforts as key opportunities to promote healthier eating and more physical activity across the Nation. In addition, CSREES sponsors research, education and extension involving the community to increase better lifestyles decision making and selection of healthy, nutritious affordable foods; on food assistance policy, health promotion, and community dimensions of nutrition and food security; to improve the quality and quantity of data to assess dietary and nutritional status and physical fitness; and on food choices and their determinants, including cost, education, and environmental and socioeconomic factors.

Annual activities ensure that the relevance, quality and productivity of newly funded education, research, and extension projects are specifically linked to improving the nation's nutrition and health. This is accomplished through guidance for annual plans of work, the preparation of requests for applications, funding meritorious proposals and plans, and oversight of previously funded work.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 6.1: Protect Watershed Health to Ensure Clean and Abundant Water

	FY 2007 Actual		FY 200	FY 2008 Budget			FY 2009 Estimated	
Strategic Objective 6.1:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years	
Research	\$43,563,000	15	\$44,570,000	17	-\$10,335,000	\$34,235,000	15	
Education	402,000	0	420,000	0	-25,000	395,000	0	
Extension	4,445,000	1	4,442,000	2	-60,000	4,382,000	2	
Total, Strategic Objective 6.1	48,410,000	16	49,432,000	19	-10,420,000	39,012,000	17	

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 6.2: Enhance Soil Quality to Maintain Productive Working Cropland

	FY 2007 Actual		FY 200	8 Budget	FY 2009 Estimated		
Strategic Objective 6.2:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years
Research	\$35,969,000	12	\$31,555,000	12	-\$4,867,000	\$26,688,000	12
Education	403,000	0	422,000	0	-27,000	395,000	0
Extension	4,444,000	1	4,442,000	2	-60,000	4,382,000	2
Total, Strategic Objective 6.2	40,816,000	13	36,419,000	14	-4,954,000	31,465,000	14

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 6.3: Protect Forests and Grazing Lands

	FY 2007 Actual		FY 2008	FY 2008 Budget			FY 2009 Estimated	
Strategic Objective 6.3:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years	
Research	\$34,338,000	12	\$32,440,000	14	-\$7,242,000	\$25,198,000	12	
Education	2,609,000	1	2,730,000	1	-182,000	2,548,000	1	
Extension	22,438,000	9	22,462,000	8	-772,000	21,690,000	9	
Integrated	8,838,000	1	8,937,000	1	-8,937,000	0	0	
Total, Strategic Objective 6.3	68,223,000	23	66,569,000	24	-17,133,000	49,436,000	22	

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 6.4: Protect and Enhance Wildlife Habitat to Benefit Desired, At-Risk and Declining Species

	FY 2006 Actual		FY 200	FY 2007 Budget			FY 2008 Estimated	
Strategic Objective 6.4:	Amount	Staff Years	Amount	Staff Years	Increase or Decrease	Amount	Staff Years	
Research	\$7,623,000	3	\$5,760,000	3	-\$1,466,000	\$4,294,000	2	
Education	2,607,000	1	2,732,000	1	-183,000	2,549,000	1	
Extension	22,439,000	10	22,463,000	10	-772,000	21,691,000	9	
Integrated	8,838,000	1	8,937,000	1	-8,937,000	0	0	
Total, Strategic Objective 6.4	41,507,000	15	39,892,000	15	-11,358,000	28,534,000	12	

Selected Accomplishments Expected at the FY 2009 Proposed Resource Level:

Protect and Enhance the Nation's Natural Resource Base and Environment

Key Outcome 6 Expected Accomplishment: New NRI research projects under the CSREES Global Change and Climate Program will be developed in collaboration with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and other U.S. Federal agencies on the terrestrial carbon cycle. Projects will focus on identifying the size, variability, and potential future changes to reservoirs and fluxes of carbon within the agricultural and forest ecosystems and provide the scientific underpinning for evaluating options to manage carbon sources and sinks. Projects will contribute to the federally managed North American Carbon Program and will analyze the impact of land-use change and resource management practices on carbon sources and sinks; project future atmospheric carbon dioxide and methane concentrations and changes in land-based carbon sinks; and the distribution of carbon sources and sinks and how they are changing. These projects will also contribute to the U.S. Climate Change Science Program and the U.S. Global Change Research Program.

Renewable Resources Extension Act and Smith-Lever funds will continue to support the Master Tree Farmer program. This satellite broadcasted educational event is potentially available through all land grant universities and can reach a diverse and ever changing forest landowner demographic. Master Tree Farmer is an intensive educational program designed to introduce landowners to the multitude of forest management topics. The goal is not to make landowners foresters but provide them with the foundation to effectively converse regarding sustainable management of their property. It has been shown that private landowners are more willing to have forestry practiced on their lands when they understand why things are done.

Crop residue burning is an important land use practice in the U.S. On average 12 percent of all fires detected by satellite in the contiguous U.S. are agricultural fires. These fires are a source of trace gas and particulate emissions and affect local and regional air quality. NRI Air Quality funds will be used to estimate the seasonal and temporal distribution of emissions released from cropland burning in the contiguous U.S., using satellite and ground based observations. These estimates will support the improvement of the Environmental Protection Agency's National Emissions Inventory. The research will provide significant contributions to understanding the nation's air quality by providing spatially and temporally explicit emission data from cropland burning. In addition, this research could be used as a prototype for an operational system to monitor agricultural burning, fire management practices, and associated air quality.

Means and Strategies

The development of the scientific and policy knowledge base and educational and extension efforts to achieve maximum sustainable benefits from both private and common property natural resources is a goal of CSREES. Education programs strengthen the foundation for this goal by building capacity in the agricultural research and extension system and training the next generation of scientists and educators.

Specific resource concerns that can be addressed best through an airshed or watershed approach include water quality and quantity, siting of production facilities, wetland restoration, and other terrestrial and aquatic habitat improvement issues. CSREES sponsors basic and applied research integrated with education and extension to better understand the complex environmental interrelationships affecting agricultural, forest, and rangeland ecosystems, to improve scientific and lay understanding of water and air for improved management of working lands, and to minimize adverse environmental impacts of resource management.

High-quality soils support the efficient production of crops for food, fiber and energy. CSREES sponsors integrated education, research, and extension work to better understand the complex environmental interrelationships affecting agricultural, forest, and rangeland production practices, to improve scientific and lay understanding of soil for better production management, and to minimize adverse environmental impacts.

Healthy, vigorous plant communities are critical to healthy forest and rangeland ecosystems to protect soil quality, prevent accelerated soil erosion, and to maintain and improve water quality and quantity. These ecosystems also provide fiber; sequester carbon; and supply forage, cover, and habitat for livestock and wildlife. Active, science-based management is essential to maintaining healthy, diverse and resilient forests and rangelands. CSREES and its partners collaborate with landowners, industry, non-governmental organizations, citizens and other interested stakeholders to develop, validate and disseminate knowledge and technologies to help manage these communities for sustainable natural resource and ecosystem services.

Annual activities ensure that the relevance, quality and productivity of newly funded education, research, and extension projects are specifically linked to protecting and enhancing the nation's natural resource base and environment. This is accomplished through guidance for annual plans of work, the preparation of requests for applications, funding meritorious proposals and plans, and oversight of previously funded work.

COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND EXTENSION SERVICE

Summary of Budget Performance Key Performance Outcomes and Measures

Application of the Research and Development (R&D) Criteria at CSREES

CSREES has established a process for assessing the relevance, quality and performance of a series of discrete portfolios of work that are defined by their contribution to strategic objectives of the CSREES Strategic Plan. The results of these assessments are used in program planning, management, and budget development. Independent, external, expert panels conduct portfolio assessments on a five-year cycle to determine the extent to which the agency is making progress toward solving targeted national problems. Self-assessments are conducted annually by agency experts to evaluate progress since the last external, expert panel. An assessment tool, framed by the three R&D investment criteria, is used by the external, expert panels and by the self-assessment teams to review the portfolio's relevance, quality, and performance and assign a quantitative assessment score, which becomes the primary performance measure for the portfolio. As of FY 2007, all CSREES portfolios have been evaluated and scored by external, expert panels and self-assessments are occurring annually.

CSREES is actively utilizing the results and recommendations from this portfolio evaluation process. Some of the portfolio reviews identified program gaps and the portfolio teams have initiated strategic planning exercises in response. CSREES has also shifted personnel and funding in response to the evaluation results. The agency is also responding with changes in management and reporting processes to improve future evaluations and become more efficient.

Key outcomes and performance measures under each of the agency's strategic goals as outlined below:

Goal 1: Enhance International Competitiveness of American Agriculture

Goal 2: Enhance the Competitiveness and Sustainability of Rural and Farm Economies

Key Outcomes:

	
Agency	Key Outcome
Objective	·
Number	
1.2	Expanded international economic development and trade capacity building through: (1) partnerships between U.S. and counterpart faculty in developing or transitioning countries to strengthen science applications and (2) technical assistance provided to these countries to support market and agricultural sector development.
2.1	Expanded science-based knowledge and technologies to generate high-quality products and processes by: (1) increasing knowledge of bioenergy and biomass conversion, (2) creating new commercially viable and marketable alternative crops, and alternative markets for non-food products from existing crops, and (3) establishing new integrated research and extension programs and multi-disciplinary graduate education training programs.
2.2	Increased efficiency of the agricultural production system by: (1) expanding information to model feed utilization for animal species, (2) releasing new or improved varieties or germplasm with enhanced pest or disease resistance, (3) further understanding the biological role of gene sequences in plants, animals, microbes and insects, (4) strengthening masters degree level courses in the food and agricultural sciences, particularly at minority-serving institutions, (5) increasing the number of minority students participating in the workforce by funding minority-serving projects at Hispanic serving institutions, 1890 institutions, 1994 institutions, Alaska-native serving, native-Hawaiian serving institutions, and (6)

	increasing the number of socially disadvantaged minority farmers and ranchers who are
	knowledgeable, eligible, and participating in USDA farm programs.
2.3	Increased producers' knowledge of principles and techniques of risk management.
4.1	Reduced incidence or prevalence of food borne illnesses and contaminants through
	increased knowledge and/or the development of mitigation, intervention, or prevention
	strategies via research or integrated research, education, and extension projects in the
	following food safety areas: pre-harvest food production and transportation, post-
	harvest processing and distribution, retail preparation and distribution, and consumer
	preparation, consumption, and behavior.
4.2	Expanded science-based information and technologies and reduced number and severity
	of agricultural pest and disease outbreaks through: (1) connection and data exchange
	among national plant and animal disease diagnostic networks, (2) increased resource
	efficiency and decreased economic risk regarding the adoption of sustainable pest
	management tactics, (3) developed capacity to minimize or mitigate occupational and
	non-occupational human health risks associated with pest management, and (4)
	increased capacity in minimizing or mitigating environmental risk associated with pest
	management.

Key Performance Measure:

- Primary Performance Measure: Portfolio Review Score. Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals.
- Cumulative number of biochemical or thermochemical technologies which are developed and used commercially for the conversion of biomass to fuels.
- Cumulative number of new crops that have been developed and used commercially.
- Cumulative dollars saved each year for grant review.
- Proposal Review Time in Days.

Performance Measure	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Actual	2007 Actual	2008 Target	2009 Target
Primary Performance Measure						
Portfolio Review Score - Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals. Units: The reviews assessed the portfolios based on the OMB R&D criteria of relevance, quality & performance. They are then assigned an overall quantitative score from 1-100.	80	82	86	87	88	89
Cumulative number of biochemical or thermochemical technologies which are developed and used commercially for the conversion of biomass to fuels.	NA	2	3	3	4	4

Cumulative number of new crops that have been developed and used commercially	NA	6	6	6	6	7
Cumulative dollars saved each year for grant review	\$0	\$320,807	\$506,463	\$642,547	\$712,085	\$818,583
Proposal Review Time in Days	214.5	204	198	194	192	189

Goal 3: Support Increased Economic Opportunities and Improved Quality of Life in Rural America

Key Outcomes:

Agency Objective Number	Key Outcome
3.1	Expanded economic opportunities in Rural America and increased knowledge pertaining to economic diversification, community planning, service infrastructure, local government, youth/adult workforce planning, and civic engagement through innovative integrated research and extension projects targeted to regional business, economic and business development.
3.2	Increased knowledge among county based staff and community leadership in order to provide research-based practices to encourage appropriate community capitol development which enhances business and economic development, the availability of appropriate education and health services, transportation networks and the vibrant community connections. Electronic deployment of information to increase the social, cultural, human and economic capitol available for more nimble and creative community responses to needs.

Key Performance Measures:

- Primary Performance Measure: Portfolio Review Score. Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals
- Percentage of Cooperative Extension Educators trained and using evidence-based programming in rural communities to facilitate informed decisions that increase economic opportunities and improve quality of life.
- Cumulative dollars saved each year for grant review.
- Proposal review time in days.
- Benefits to farmers changing their risk management behavior per the net dollar cost of the Risk Management Education Program.
- The number of farmers and ranchers that gained an economic, environmental or quality-of-life benefit from a change in practice learned by participating in a SARE project.

Key Performance Targets:

Performance Measure	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Actual	2007 Actual	2008 Target	2009 Target
Primary Performance Measure Portfolio Review Score - Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals. Units: The reviews assessed the portfolios based on the OMB R&D criteria of relevance, quality & performance. They are then assigned an overall quantitative score from 1-100.	NA	NA	82	87	88	89
Percentage of Cooperative Extension Educators trained and using evidence-based programming in rural communities to facilitate informed decisions that increase economic opportunities and improve quality of life.	NA	75%	77%	79%	81%	83%
Cumulative dollars saved each year for grant review	\$0	\$146,274	\$230,925	\$292,973	\$324,680	\$373,238
Proposal review time in days	214.5	204	198	194	192	189
Benefits to farmers changing their risk management behavior per the net dollar cost of the Risk Management Education Program	156	229	251	262	274	300
The number of farmers and ranchers that gained an economic, environmental or quality-of-life benefit from a change in practice learned by participating in a SARE project	8,100	8,870	9,610	10,200	10,800	11,300

Goal 4: Enhance Protection and Safety of the Nation's Agriculture and Food Supply

Key Outcomes:

Agency Objective Number	Key Outcome
4.1	Reduced incidence or prevalence of food borne illnesses and contaminants through increased knowledge and/or the development of mitigation, intervention, or prevention strategies via research or integrated research, education, and extension projects in the following food safety areas: pre-harvest food production and transportation, post-harvest processing and distribution, retail preparation and distribution, and consumer preparation, consumption, and behavior.

4.2	Expanded science-based information and technologies and reduced number and severity
2	of agricultural pest and disease outbreaks through: (1) connection and data exchange
	among national plant and animal disease diagnostic networks, (2) increased resource
	efficiency and decreased economic risk regarding the adoption of sustainable pest
	management tactics, (3) developed capacity to minimize or mitigate occupational and
	non-occupational human health risks associated with pest management, and (4)
	increased capacity in minimizing or mitigating environmental risk associated with pest
	management.

Key Performance Measures:

- Primary Performance Measure: Portfolio Review Score. Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals.
- Methods that reduce food contamination and growth of foodborne organisms.
- Proposal review time in days.
- Cumulative dollars saved each year for grant review.
- The cumulative number of specific plant diseases labs are prepared to detect.
- The cumulative number of specific animal diseases labs are prepared to detect.

Performance Measure	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Actual	2007 Actual	2008 Target	2009 Target
Primary Performance Measure Portfolio Review Score - Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals. Units: The reviews assessed the portfolios based on the OMB R&D criteria of relevance, quality & performance. They are then assigned an overall quantitative score from 1-100.	82	85	90	91	92	93
Methods that reduce food contamination and growth of foodborne organisms	6	8	10	12	14	16
Proposal review time in days	214.5	204	198	194	192	189
Cumulative dollars saved each year for grant review	\$0	\$175,584	\$277,197	\$351,678	\$389,738	\$448,027
The cumulative number of specific plant diseases labs are prepared to detect	3	5	6	7	8	9
The cumulative number of specific animal diseases labs are prepared to detect	6	7	8	8	9	9

Goal 5: Improve the Nation's Nutrition and Health

Key Outcomes:

Agency Objective	Key Outcome
Number	
5.1	New knowledge that clarifies dietary health relationships in order to support better
	dietary recommendations and improved food products.
5.2	Reduced proportion of adult participants age 20 years and older who are obese, and of children and adolescents who are obese and overweight by increasing healthier food choices and lifestyles.

Key Performance Measures:

- Primary Performance Measure: Portfolio Review Score. Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals.
- Dietary improvements by EFNEP participants.
- Development and use of effective intervention methods and strategies to change behavior and improve diet and physical activity in target populations.
- Cumulative dollars saved each year for Grant Review.
- Proposal review time in days.

Performance Measure	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Actual	2007 Actual	2008 Target	2009 Target
Primary Performance Measure Portfolio Review Score - Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an		3				
annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals.	NA	NA	86	90	91	92
Units: The reviews assessed the portfolios based on the OMB R&D criteria of relevance, quality & performance. They are then assigned an overall quantitative score from 1-100.						·
Dietary improvements by EFNEP participants	NA	93%	92%	93%	93%	93%
Development and use of effective intervention methods and strategies to change behavior and improve diet and physical activity in target populations	NA	1	2	3	4	5
Cumulative dollars saved each year for Grant Review	\$0	\$102,683	\$162,108	\$205,664	\$227,922	\$262,010
Proposal review time in days	214.5	204	198	194	192	189

Goal 6: Protect and Enhance the Nation's Natural Resource Base and Environment

Key Outcomes:

Agency Objective Number	Key Outcome
6.1	Expanded and disseminated science-based knowledge and information for management
6.2	of the nation's natural resources and environment, including soil, air and water, in
6.3	agricultural, forest, and range working lands and ecosystems.
6.4	

Key Performance Measures:

- Primary Performance Measure: Portfolio Review Score. Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals.
- Cumulative number of ecological-economic models developed and used for management of invasive species.
- Proposal review time in days.
- Assessment and control technologies for agricultural emissions developed and used.

Performance Measure	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Actual	2007 Actual	2008 Target	2009 Target
Primary Performance Measure Portfolio Review Score - Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals.	NA	79	84	83	85	86
Units: The reviews assessed the portfolios based on the OMB R&D criteria of relevance, quality & performance. They are then assigned an overall quantitative score from 1-100.						
Cumulative number of ecological-economic models developed and used for management of invasive species	0	0	1	2	3	5
Cumulative dollars saved each year for grant proposal	\$0	\$140,566	\$221,914	\$281,541	\$312,010	\$358,673
Proposal review time in days	214.5	204	198	194	192	189
Assessment and control technologies for agricultural emissions developed and used	3	5	7	8	10	12

PART ASSESSMENTS

CSREES conducts PART reviews based on portfolio performance by goal. Portfolios of projects are assessed by experts on an annual (internal experts) and 5-year basis (external experts) to determine progress toward solving targeted national problems reflected in the agency and department goals. The PART review schedule by goal follows:

PART Goal 1 - The portfolio of programs designed to achieve USDA Strategic Goals 1 and 2 was evaluated by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in FY2004. CSREES achieved a score of "moderately effective" from OMB. External expert panels that were convened prior to the PART assigned an average score of 80 (i.e., "meets expectations") to all portfolios under Goals 1 and 2.

Follow-up Action Requests:

- 2005, CSREES continue to improve its long-term measures for these programs.
 Action completed: CSREES met with OMB and agreed that new R&D long-term outcomes included in this budget submission capture the degree to which Agency R&D are used by direct customers.
- 2005, CSREES emphasized funding through competitive grants, by proposing to increase the National Research Initiative (NRI), and increasing competitive grants through the Hatch and McIntire-Stennis programs.
 Action completed: FY 2007, 2008, and 2009 Budgets proposed this increase in funding and
 - **Action completed:** FY 2007, 2008, and 2009 Budgets proposed this increase in funding and competitive focus.
- 2006, CSREES modify the long-term measures to show actual use of results of research.
 Action completed: CSREES has modified all long-term measures to reflect the actual uses of the results of research in addition to the number of methods developed.
- 2006, CSREES improve efficiencies in the grant review process.
 Action completed: The 2006 efficiency target for time per proposal processed (202 days) was exceeded in 2006. CSREES is on track to meet its 2007 efficiency target (199 days).
- 2006, CSREES improve the efficiency of the grants review process by using "Grants.gov" (a web based peer review system), as well as virtual panels when appropriate.
 Action taken: CSREES has required all competitive discretionary grant applications to be filed through Grants.gov beginning with FY 2007. Also, CSREES has implemented a web-based virtual panel alternative for agency grant managers.

PART Goal 2 - The portfolio of programs designed to achieve USDA Strategic Goal 3 was evaluated by OMB in FY 2006. CSREES achieved a score of "effective" from OMB. External expert panels that were convened prior to the PART assigned an average score of 82 to the Goal 3 portfolio of programs.

Follow-up Action Requests:

- 2006, CSREES continue to emphasize the use of competitive and peer reviewed grants.
 Action taken: CSREES has proposed an increase in budget request for NRI, and elimination of earmarks in the budget.
- 2006, CSREES improve the efficiency of the grants review process by using "Grants.gov" (a web based peer review system), as well as virtual panels when appropriate.
 Action taken: CSREES has required all competitive discretionary grant applications to be filed through Grants.gov beginning with FY 2007. Also, CSREES has implemented a web-based virtual panel alternative for agency grant managers.

2006, CSREES ensure that all interested parties have the necessary access to grant information, as well as to continue to emphasize grant capacity building as appropriate.
 Action taken: CSREES posts 100 percent of competitive discretionary funding information on Grants.gov beginning with FY 2007.

PART Goal 3 - The portfolio of programs designed to achieve USDA Strategic Goals 4 was evaluated by OMB in FY2005. CSREES achieved a score of "moderately effective" from OMB. External expert panels that were convened prior to the PART assigned an average score of 86 to the Goal 4 portfolio.

Follow-up Action Requests:

- 2006, CSREES develop measures that show the actual use of discoveries and technologies that are developed by the program as well as to develop targets related to extension activities.
 Action completed: CSREES has modified all long-term measures to reflect the actual uses of the results of research in addition to the number of methods developed.
- 2006, CSREES find more innovative and cost-effective ways to review grant proposals on an agencywide basis.
 Action completed: The 2006 efficiency target for time per proposal processed (202 days) was exceeded in 2006. CSREES is on track to meet its 2007 efficiency target (199 days).
- 2006, CSREES re-evaluate the efficiency measures, proposing new ones if appropriate.
 Action completed: The efficiency measures were revised in FY 2007 to show actual days per proposal processed and cumulative cost savings.
- 2006, CSREES improve the efficiency of the grants review process by using "Grants.gov" (a web based peer review system), as well as virtual panels when appropriate.
 Action taken: CSREES has required all competitive discretionary grant applications to be filed through Grants.gov beginning with FY 2007. Also, CSREES has implemented a web-based virtual panel alternative for agency grant managers.

PART Goal 4 - The portfolio of programs designed to achieve USDA Strategic Goal 5 was evaluated by OMB in FY2006. CSREES achieved a score of "effective" from OMB. External expert panels that were convened prior to the PART assigned an average score of 86 to the Goal 5 portfolio of programs.

Follow-up Action Requests:

- 2006, CSREES continue to emphasize the use of competitive and peer reviewed grants.
 Action taken: CSREES has proposed an increase in the budget request for NRI.
- 2006, CSREES improve the efficiency of the grants review process by using "Grants.gov" (a web based peer review system), as well as virtual panels when appropriate.
 Action taken: CSREES has required all competitive discretionary grant applications to be filed through Grants.gov beginning with FY 2007. Also, CSREES has implemented a web-based virtual panel alternative for agency grant managers.
- 2006, CSREES ensure that all interested parties have the necessary access to grant information, as well as to continue to emphasize grant capacity building as appropriate.
 Action taken: CSREES posts 100 percent of competitive discretionary funding information on Grants.gov beginning with FY 2007.

PART Goal 5 – The portfolio of programs designed to achieve USDA Strategic Goal 6 was evaluated by OMB in FY2005. CSREES achieved a score of "effective" from OMB. External expert panels that were convened prior to the PART assigned an average score of 79 to the Goal 6 portfolio of programs.

Follow-up Action Requests:

- 2006, CSREES enhance the tracking of measures in the budget justification, as well as the use of research and technologies
 - Action completed: Measures were incorporated in the FY 2008 and FY 2009 budget materials.
- 2006, CSREES develop additional measures that show how much of the actual research is reaching users through extension activities.
 - **Action completed**: CSREES has modified all long-term measures to reflect the actual uses of the results of research in addition to the number of methods developed.
- 2006, CSREES develop innovative ways of improving the efficiency of the grants award process. Action completed: The 2006 efficiency target for time per proposal processed (202 days) was exceeded in 2006. CSREES is on track to meet its 2007 efficiency target (199 days).
- 2006, CSREES develop a strategic plan for the portfolio in response to the panel evaluation and as guidance for the reallocation of resources.
 Action taken: A strategic plan for this portfolio has been developed in FY 2007.
- 2006, CSREES improve the efficiency of the grants review process by using "Grants.gov" (a web based peer review system), as well as virtual panels when appropriate.
 Action taken: CSREES has required all competitive discretionary grant applications to be filed through Grants.gov beginning with FY 2007. Also, CSREES has implemented a web-based virtual panel alternative for agency grant managers.

Strategic Objective 1.2:

Support International Economic Development and Trade Capacity Building

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$3,028	\$3,378	\$2,245
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	80	. 89	60
	Indirect Costs	46	52	34
	Total Costs	3,154	3,519	2,339
	FTE's	1	1	1
Education	Program	385	403	378
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	10	11	10
	Indirect Costs	6	6	6
	Total Costs	401	420	394
	FTE's	0	0	0
Integrated	Program	950	1,907	1,910
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	26	51	51
	Indirect Costs	14	28	29
	Total Costs	990	1,986	1,990
	FTE's	0	0	1
	Total Costs for Objective 1.2			
	(program, direct, indirect)	4,545	5,925	4,723
	FTE's	1	1	2

Strategic Objective 2.1:

Expand Domestic Market Opportunities

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$61,381	\$68,480	\$51,507
resouren	Administrative (Direct Costs)	1,636	1,826	1,373
	Indirect Costs	922	1,027	773
	Total Costs	63,939	71,333	53,653
	FTE's	22	27	23
Education	Program	4,247	4,435	4,134
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	113	118	110
	Indirect Costs	64	67	62
	Total Costs	4,424	4,620	4,306
	FTE's	2	2	2
Extension	Program	38,598	39,155	37,134
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	1,029	1,044	990
	Indirect Costs	579	587	557
	Total Costs	40,206	40,786	38,681
	FTE's	15	16	17
Integrated	Program	1,697	883	0
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	45	24	0
	Indirect Costs	26	13	0
	Total Costs	1,768	920	0
	FTE's	0	0	0
Mandatory (Organic)	Program	2,880	2,880	0
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	77	77	0
	Indirect Costs	43	43	0
	Total Costs	3,000	3,000	0
	FTE's	0	0	0
	Total Costs for Objective 2.1			
	(program, direct, indirect)	113,337	120,659	96,640
	FTE's	39	45	42

Strategic Objective 2.2:

Increase the Efficiency of Domestic Agricultural Production

and Marketing Systems

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$201,995	\$182,700	\$151,017
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	5,385	4,872	4,027
	Indirect Costs	3,031	2,741	2,265
	Total Costs	210,411	190,313	157,309
	FTE's	72	70	71
Education	Program	9,296	9,676	10,238
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	248	258	273
	Indirect Costs	139	145	154
	Total Costs	9,683	10,079	10,665
	FTE's	3	4	5
Extension	Program	42,921	43,174	38,883
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	1,144	1,151	1,037
	Indirect Costs	644	648	583
	Total Costs	44,709	44,973	40,503
	FTE's	15	17	18
Integrated	Program	6,314	7,345	0
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	168	196	0
	Indirect Costs	95	110	0
•	Total Costs	6,577	7,651	0
	FTE's	2	2	0
Section 2501	Program	5,702	6,139	6,653
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	152	164	177
	Indirect Costs	86	92	100
	Total Costs	5,940	6,395	6,930
	FTE's	2	2	2
	Total Costs for Objective 2.2			
	(program, direct, indirect)	277,320	259,411	215,407
	FTE's	94	95	96

Strategic Objective 2.3:

Provide Risk Management and Financial Tools to Farmers and Ranchers

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$9,928	\$9,966	\$6,768
researen	Administrative (Direct Costs)	264	266	180
	Indirect Costs	150	149	102
	Total Costs	10,342	10,381	7,050
	FTE's	4	4	3
Education	Program	1,545	1,613	1,509
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	41	43	40
	Indirect Costs	23	24	23
	Total Costs	1,609	1,680	1,572
	FTE's	1	1	1
Extension	Program	28,722	28,752	27,764
•	Administrative (Direct Costs)	766	767	740
	Indirect Costs	431	431	417
	Total Costs	29,919	29,950	28,921
	FTE's	9	11	13
Integrated	Program	53	54	0
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	1	1	0
	Indirect Costs	1	1	0
	Total Costs	55	56	0
	FTE's	0	0	0
	Total Costs for Objective 2.3			
	(program, direct, indirect)	41,925	42,067	37,543
	FTE's	14	16	17

Strategic Objective 3.1

Expand Economic Opportunities by Using USDA Financial Resources to Leverage Private Sector Resources and Create Opportunities for Growth

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$29,729	\$40,424	\$22,458
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	792	1,078	599
	Indirect Costs	447	. 606	337
	Total Costs	30,968	42,108	23,394
	FTE's	11	16	10
Education	Program	2,315	2,421	2,261
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	61	65	60
	Indirect Costs	35	36	34
	Total Costs	2,411	2,522	2,355
	FTE's	1	1	1
Extension	Program	51,765	51,820	50,040
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	1,380	1,382	1,334
	Indirect Costs	777	777	751
	Total Costs	53,922	53,979	52,125
	FTE's	18	20	23
	Total Costs for Objective 3.1			
	(program, direct, indirect)	87,301	98,609	77,874
	FTE's	30	37	34

Strategic Objective 3.2

Improve the Quality of Life Through USDA Financing of Quality Housing, Modern Utilities, and Needed Community Facilities

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
7	D	\$10,390	\$9,432	\$8,534
Research	Program	\$10,390 276	\$9,43 <i>2</i> 252	228
	Administrative (Direct Costs) Indirect Costs	157	141	128
	Indirect Costs	157		
	Total Costs	10,823	9,825	8,890
	FTE's	4	4	4
Education	Program	4,242	4,435	4,143
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	113	118	111
	Indirect Costs	64	67	62
	Total Costs	4,419	4,620	4,316
	FTE's	2	2	2
Extension	Program	76,582	76,702	73,222
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	2,042	2,045	1,953
	Indirect Costs	1,149	1,151	1,098
	Total Costs	79,773	79,898	76,273
	FTE's	27	30	33
Integrated	Program	3,181	3,217	1,323
_	Administrative (Direct Costs)	85	86	35
	Indirect Costs	48	48	20
	Total Costs	3,314	3,351	1,378
	FTE's	0	0	1
	Total Costs for Objective 3.2			
	(program, direct, indirect)	98,329	97,694	90,857
	FTE's	33	36	40

Strategic Objective 4.1

Reduce the Incidence of Foodborne Illnesses Related to Meat, Poultry, and Egg Products in the U.S.

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
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Research	Program	\$26,036	\$33,364	\$25,798
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	693	890	688
	Indirect Costs	392	500	387
	Total Costs	27,121	34,754	26,873
	FTE's	9	12	11
Education	Program	1,929	2,015	1,884
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	51	54	50
	Indirect Costs	29	30	28
	Total Costs	2,009	2,099	1,962
	FTE's	1	1	1
Extension	Program	19,371	19,389	18,724
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	516	517	499
	Indirect Costs	291	291	281
	Total Costs	20,178	20,197	19,504
	FTE's	7	7	. 9
Integrated	Program	3,553	3,217	0
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	95	86	0
	Indirect Costs	53	48	0
	Total Costs	3,701	3,351	0
	FTE's	1	1	0
	Total Costs for Objective 4.1			
	(program, direct, indirect)	53,009	60,401	48,339
	FTE's	18	21	21

Strategic Objective 4.2

Reduce the Number and Severity of Agricultural Pest and Disease Outbreaks

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$124,914	\$121,106	\$96,345
research	Administrative (Direct Costs)	3,330	3,229	2,569
	Indirect Costs	1,875	1,817	1,445
	Total Costs	130,119	126,152	100,359
	FTE's	46	52	49
Education	Program	4,241	4,434	6,062
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	113	118	162
	Indirect Costs	64	67	91
	Total Costs	4,418	4,619	6,315
	FTE's	1	2	4
Extension	Program	13,473	13,411	14,099
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	359	358	376
	Indirect Costs	202	201	211
	Total Costs	14,034	13,970	14,686
	FTE's	7	5	6
Integrated	Program	19,248	18,766	16,082
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	513	500	429
	Indirect Costs	289	282	241
	Total Costs	20,050	19,548	16,752
	FTE's	3	3	2
	Total Costs for Objective 4.2			
	(program, direct, indirect)	168,621	164,289	138,112
	FTE's	57	62	61

Strategic Objective 5.1

Ensure Access to Nutritious Food

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$14,771	\$15,457	\$14,028
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	393	412	374
	Indirect Costs	222	232	211
	Total Costs	15,386	16,101	14,613
	FTE's	5	6	5
Education	Program	1,158	1,209	1,132
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	31	32	30
	Indirect Costs	17	18	17
	Total Costs	1,206	1,259	1,179
	FTE's	0	0	1
Extension	Program	19,704	19,726	19,047
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	525	526	508
	Indirect Costs	296	296	286
	Total Costs	20,525	20,548	19,841
	FTE's	7	8	9
	Total Costs for Objective 5.1			
	(program, direct, indirect)	37,117	37,908	35,633
	FTE's	12	14	15

Strategic Objective 5.2

Promote Healthier Eating Habits and Lifestyles

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$10,268	\$10,257	\$11,138
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	273	273	297
	Indirect Costs	155	154	167
	Total Costs	10,696	10,684	11,602
	FTE's	4	4	5
Education	Program	3,471	3,627	3,388
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	93	97	90
	Indirect Costs	52	54	51
	Total Costs	3,616	3,778	3,529
	FTE's	1	1	2
Extension	Program	89,581	91,349	85,507
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	2,389	2,436	2,283
	Indirect Costs	1,344	1,370	1,284
	Total Costs	93,314	95,155	89,074
	FTE's	32	36	40
Integrated	Program	1,059	1,068	0
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	28	29	0
	Indirect Costs	16	16	0
	Total Costs	1,103	1,113	0
	FTE's	0	0	0
	Total Costs for Objective 5.2			
	(program, direct, indirect)	108,729	110,730	104,205
	FTE's	37	41	47

Strategic Objective 6.1

Protect Watershed Health to Ensure Clean and Abundant Water

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$41,820	\$42,787	\$32,866
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	1,115	1,140	876
	Indirect Costs	628	643	493
	Total Costs	43,563	44,570	34,235
	FTE's	15	17	15
Education	Program	386	403	379
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	10	11	10
	Indirect Costs	6	6	6
	Total Costs	402	420	395
	FTE's	0	0	0
Extension	Program	4,267	4,264	4,207
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	114	114	112
	Indirect Costs	64	64	63
	Total Costs	4,445	4,442	4,382
	FTE's	1	2	2
	Total Costs by Objective 6.1			
	(program, direct, indirect)	48,410	49,432	39,012
	FTE's	16	19	17

Strategic Objective 6.2

Enhance Soil Quality to Maintain Productive Working Cropland

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
Research	Program	\$34,530	\$30,293	\$25,620
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	920	807	684
	Indirect Costs	519	455	384
	Total Costs	35,969	31,555	26,688
	FTE's	12	12	12
Education	Program	387	405	379
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	10	11	10
	Indirect Costs	6	6	6
	Total Costs	403	422	395
	FTE's	0	0	0
Extension	Program	4,266	4,264	4,207
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	114	114	112
	Indirect Costs	64	64	63
	Total Costs	4,444	4,442	4,382
	FTE's	1	2	2
	Total Costs for Objective 6.2			
	(program, direct, indirect)	40,816	36,419	31,465
	FTE's	13	14	14

Strategic Objective 6.3

Protect Forests and Grazing Lands

Program	Program Items	2007 Amount (\$000)	2008 Amount (\$000)	2009 Amount (\$000)
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Research	Program	\$32,964	\$31,142	\$24,190
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	878	830	645
	Indirect Costs	496	468	363
	Total Costs	34,338	32,440	25,198
	FTE's	12	14	12
Education	Program	2,505	2,621	2,446
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	67	70	65
	Indirect Costs	37	39	. 37
	Total Costs	2,609	2,730	2,548
	FTE's	1	1	1
Extension	Program	21,540	21,564	20,822
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	575	575	556
	Indirect Costs	323	323	312
	Total Costs	22,438	22,462	21,690
	FTE's	9	8	9
Integrated	Program	8,484	8,580	0
C	Administrative (Direct Costs)	227	228	0
	Indirect Costs	127	129	0
	Total Costs	8,838	8,937	. 0
	FTE's	1	1	0
	Total Costs for Objective 6.3			
	(program, direct, indirect)	68,223	66,569	49,436
	FTE's	23	24	22

Strategic Objective 6.4

Protect and Enhance Wildlife Habitat to Benefit Desired, At-Risk and Declining Species

		2007 Amount	2008 Amount	2009 Amount (\$000)
Program	Program Items	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
Research	Program	\$7,318	\$5,530	\$4,122
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	194	146	110
	Indirect Costs	111	84	62
	Total Costs	7,623	5,760	4,294
	FTE's	3	3	2
Education	Program	2,503	2,623	2,447
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	67	70	65
	Indirect Costs	37	39	37
	Total Costs	2,607	2,732	2,549
•	FTE's	1	1	1
Extension	Program	21,541	21,564	20,823
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	575	575	556
	Indirect Costs	323	324	312
	Total Costs	22,439	22,463	21,691
	FTE's	10	10	9
Integrated	Program	8,484	8,580	0
	Administrative (Direct Costs)	227	228	0
	Indirect Costs	127	129	0
	Total Costs	8,838	8,937	0
	FTE's	1	1	0
	Total Costs for Objective 6.4			
	(program, direct, indirect)	41,507	39,892	28,534
	FTE's	15	15	12